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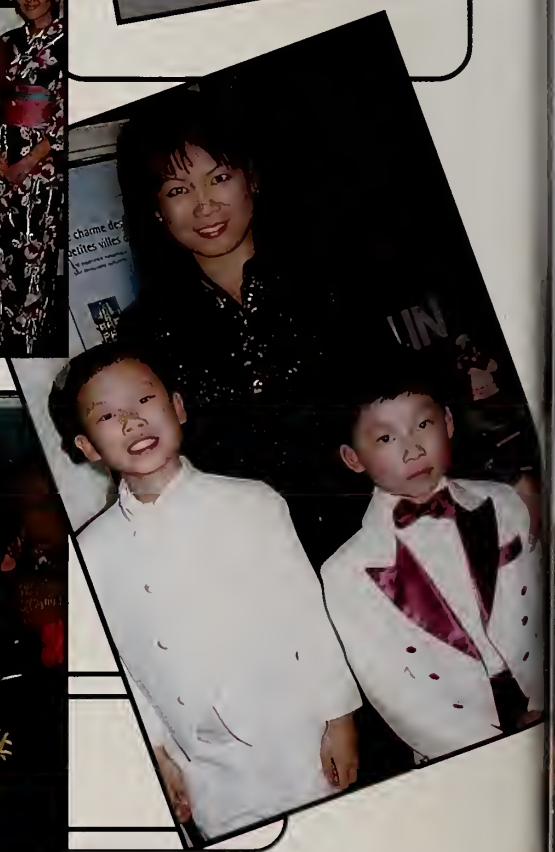


RODEO

Undergrads

Back Row: Sophia Swettenham, Scott Buchanan, Sheetza McGarry, Anthony Zhong, Hod Darwish, Leonardo Palumbo. Front Row: Miss Wright, Karina Wang, Thomas Montgomery, Cate Crossland, Julia Brazeau, Connor McSweeney, Helen Hume, Mrs. Leith Absent: David Schramm

Mrs Leith
Miss Wright

The Best Thing About Me is...
Julia- I can play baseball
Scott- is how I play with puzzles
Cate- how I play with my friends
Hoda- that I am special
Helen- I'm a good swimmer, I don't need "floaties"
Sheetza- is my shoes
Connor- I like to eat chips and I like to go trick-or-treating
Thomas- my head and eating chocolate
Leonardo- when I do puzzles
David- my brain
Anthony- a picture of me chewing bubblegum
Sophia- my eyes
Karina- my Nightingale clothes

Jr. Kindergarten

undergrads

ack Row: Mrs. Wiley, Samantha Burton, Grace MacLeod, Jonathan Hindo, Brooke Mierins, annah Dolhai, Nicholas Morrison, Nicola Denison, Paul Rodrigues. **Front Row:** Rebecca eward-Langdon, Tennyson Kainz-Potter, Philip Murray, Chloe Lucas, Adam Groper, nthony Li, Kimberly Liu.

Mrs. Wiley

hat do you love most about school?

imberly: play centres and my teacher
dam: homework and play centres
annah: math, snack and my teacher
nathan: play centres and French
race: science and play centres
icola: math and the science experiments
ony: "Mystery Guest" and the play centres
hilip: everything!
ammy: going on field trips, doing artwork and Mrs. Wiley
aul: recess, play centres and art
rooke: math and art
ennyson: everything!
hloe: play centres and Mrs. Wiley
ebecca: the science experiments (especially the volcano) nd being a "Special Helper"

Sr. Kindergarten

Back Row: Mrs. McCaffrey, Mrs. Foy. Middle Row: Evangeline Bedos, Alana Bobra, Benjamin McSweeney, Larissa Bobra, Rebecca Godin, Kim Godin, Claire Avisar, Zakiya Abdullah Front Row: Brooks McMurray, Jenna Moledina, Michaela Kainz-Potter, Alexander Montgomery, Kyler Wang, Kelli Krapcho, Louisa James-Beswick, Kerson Leong

Mrs. McCaffrey
Mrs. Foy

When I grow up I want to be ...

Zakiya Abdullah- a hairdresser because I want to learn how to braid hair.
Claire Avisar- a hairdresser because I think it would be fun.
Evangeline Bedos- a doctor because I want to help people.
Alana Bobra- an orthodontist because I want to take care of my parents.
Larissa Bobra- a periodontist because I want to help people.
Kim Godin- a horse rider because I like horses.
Rebecca Godin- a zoo keeper because I like to take care of elephants.
Louisa James-Beswick- a vet because I love to take care of animals.
Michaela Kainz-Potter- a hairdresser because I think it would be nice.
Kelli Krapcho- a vet because I like animals.
Kerson Leong- a doctor because I want to help people get better.
Brooks McMurray- a vet because I like taking care of dogs and cats.
Benjamin McSweeney-a police officer because I want to protect people.
Jenna Moledina- a dentist because my mom and dad are dentists.
Alex Montgomery- a police officer because I can protect people.
Kyler Wang- a pilot because I like airplanes.

undergrads

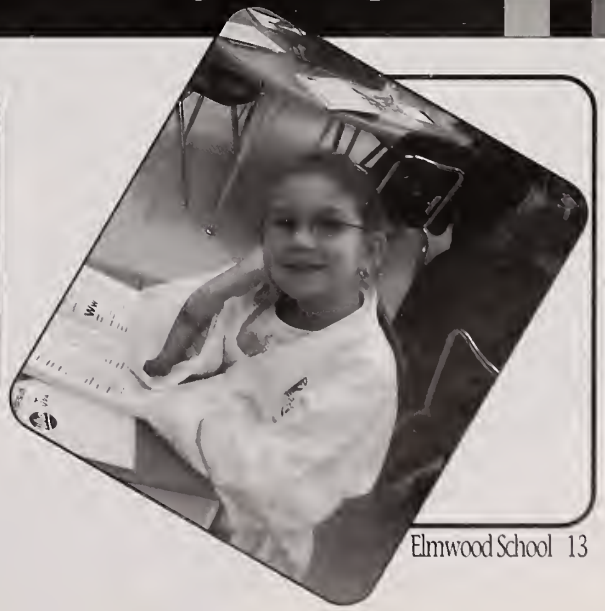
Grade 1

ck Row: Ms. Sara Rock, Jordan Donovan, Bradley Nesrallah, Connor McLaren, Brendan Lucas, Emily
oper. Middle Row: Priya Muradia, Alyssa Shenassa, Scout Frewer, Alexa Naccarato, Sarah Melloul, Merrin
londe, Mrs. Amy Foy. Front Row: Katia Tawagi, Priyanka Goel, Anna Regan, Trevor Haebe, Amelia
lumbo, Emilia Pawlisz. Absent: Jessica Kotzeff.

Ms. Rock
Mrs. Foy

hat are you good at? What will you be when you grow up?
nelia: I am good at riding my bike. I want to be a mother.
na: I am good at writing. I want to be an artist.
dley: I am good at tennis and archery. I want to be a tennis and archery pro.
ndan: I am good at reading. I want to be a scientist, an inventor, and head of Decima.
nnor: I am good at soccer. I want to be a soccer player.
ilia: I am good at illustrating. I want to be an artist and a gym teacher.
ily: I am good at swimming. I want to be a care taker for animals.
sica: I am good at making pets calm. I want to be a zoo keeper.
tia: I am good at skating. I want to be a professional skater.
errin: I am good at writing workshop. I want to be a teacher.
iyanka: I am good at writing and reading. I want to be a scientist and a doctor.
rah: I am good at playing with my dog. I want to be a veterinarian.
out: I am good at reading. I want to be a bird scientist.
rdan: I am good at horseback riding. I want to be a horseback rider.
exa: I am good at reading and writing and art. When I grow up I want to be a hair cutter.
evor: I am good at soccer and hockey. When I grow up I want to be a soccer or hockey player.
yssa: I am good at art. When I grow up I want to deliver babies and be an actress.
iya: I am good at tennis and soccer. I want to be a tennis professional and a super soccer player.

Grade 2



Mr. Adams
Mrs. Gerpacher

Back Row: Mr. Adams, Charles-Albert Asselin, Mario Palumbo, Samantha Buchanan, Rebecca Boucher, Ju Hewitt, Jordana Polisuk, Mrs. Gerspacher. Middle Row: Hannah Boomer, Victoria McIntyre, Olivia Kotarb Emily Montgomery, Eleanor James-Beswick, Vaughan Rawes. Front Row: Sarah Seward-Langdon, Morgan O'Dea, Justin Yan, Ivy Bregman, Ameera Moledina, Absent: Melissa Noel.

If I Could Meet Any Celebrity in the World I Would Meet...

Sara Seward Langdon- Orlando Bloom because he is in my favorite movie.
Tori McIntyre- Hilary Duff because I listen to her music.
Emily Montgomery- Jenny Dale because I have four of her books
Eleanor James-Beswick- Patrick Lalime because I love the Senators.
Julia Hewitt- Avril Lavigne because I am interested in her music.
Ameera Moledina- Lizzie Mcguire because I watch her on T.V.
Samantha Buchanan- David Beckham because I am interested in being a soccer player.
Hannah Boomer- Hilary Duff because I think she is a very good actress.
Ivy Bregman- Avril Lavigne because she is my favorite singer.
Justin Yan- Yo-Yo Ma because I would like to ask him if playing the cello is difficult.
Jordana Polisuk- Emma Watson because she acts in one of my favorite movies.
Melissa Noel- Sasha Chohen because she is a famous figure skater.
Olivia Kotarba- Hilary Duff because I have seen her on her show Lizzie Mcguire.
Charles-Albert Asselin- Maurice Richard because I liked watching him play hockey.
Mario Palumbo- Roald Dahl because I love his books.
MorganO'Dea- Indiana Jones because I have always watched movies of him.
Rebecca Boucher- David Beckham because I love soccer.
Vaughan Rawes- Vince Carter because I have seen him a lot in basketball.

Grade 3

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ck Row: Emma Regan, Yuliya Belik, Stephanie Shenassa, Emma Lynn, Alice Bifield, Jennifer Maginnis, ephanie Black, Amy El-Defrawy, Quincy Batson, Sahar Salari. Front Row: Laila Murray, Kristen Brazeau, liana Assaly, Emma Dolhai, Margot Whittington, Sophie Bérubé, Anisha Dhalla. Absent: Rachel Oster.

Mrs. Ohan

Grade 4 I could always be heard saying...

ice- Waz up
my- I'm not a witch!
hisha- Bunny, bunny, bunny
nma D.- Okay
nma L.- Ummm... I dunno
nma R.- Pooey
nnifer- Like
liana- 'Tis true
isten- I dunno
ila- So
argot- 24-7
uincy- Nor am I
achel- Like
har- Yes
phie- He, he, he!
ephanie B.- Totally dude!
ephanie S.- Yah
liya- No

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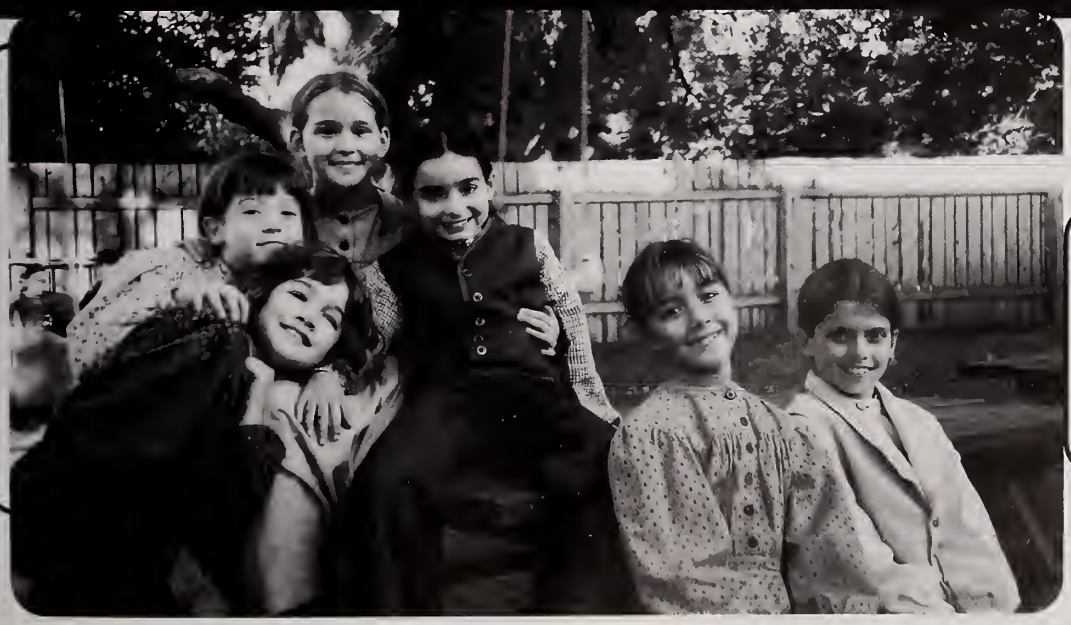

Back Row: Jena Tannis, Lauren Halliwushka, Christina Jacobsen, Maggie Murray, Stephanie Pratap, Juliet Caragianis, Sarah Bouzanis, Raina Wilcox, Alessandra Cinotti Ballarte, Aarti Singla, Ms. Ostiguy. Front Row: Kelly Coultry, Taylor Donovan, Alisa Boyle, Ailsa Craigen, Heather McDonald, Anna Jaeger, Sonya Ruddy.

Ms. Ostiguy

The students of 5O are also known as...
Heather: Little Miss Me
Sonya: Little Miss Little
Lauren: Little Miss Spy
Alessandra: Little Miss Can Dance
Stephanie: Little Miss Athletic
Alisa: Little Miss Angel
Taylor: Little Miss Star Power
Christina: Little Miss Lucky
Anna: Little Miss Norway
Kelly: Little Miss Chatterbox
Aarti: Little Miss Skater
Maggie: Little Miss Twin
Sarah: Little Miss Bookworm
Ailsa: Little Miss Sporty
Jena: Little Miss Funny
Juliet: Little Miss Hip Hop
Raina: Little Miss Python
Ms. Ostiguy: Little Miss Teach

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Grade 5

k Row: Lauren Brandys, Sarah Evershed, Rachael Murray, Irena Wight, Julia Fottinger, Lyndsay
arba, Avery Nowosad, Charlotte O'Neill, Shauna Griffin, Samah Syed, Ms. Potter Mäl. Front row:
uja Sinha, Victoria Loeb, Kriti Kumar, Kelly Hunter, Chelsea Tannis, Priya Wadhera, Célyna Arnold

Ms. Potter-Mäl

Ms. Gallagher

Back Row: Katherine Hales, Madeline Oster, Jaclyn McMurray, Nimrat Obhi, Kelly O'Connor, Lind
Spooner, Haley Abugov, Megan Grey, Natalie Haydon, Mrs. Gallagher. Middle Row: Maria Zarakh
Laura Haebe, Rebecca Wilson, Emily Soussana, Rachel Liu, Julia E, Laura Brazeau, Jennifer Shephe
Front Row: Kayla Eisenstat, Cleo Clatney, Taylor Flynn.

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Grade 6

k Row: Julia Churchill-Smith, Amanda Lewis, Michelle Sleeth, Ruth Lark, Rachel Garbutt, Kerry nnes, Jocelyn Sevigny, Ms. Tweedie. **Middle Row:** Emily Alexander, Caroline Mierins, Natasha ncan, Monica Mikhaiel, Caroline Tong, Vanessa Morgan Mziray, Silya Shenassa. **Front Row:** alie Ogonek, Sabrina Villeneuve, Eva Palumbo Absent: Kailey Richards.

We Couldn't Make Up Our Mind So...
Baby Pictures, Celebrity Husbands and Favourite Cartoon Character

Top Row: Ruth Lark, Rachel Garbut, Michelle Sleeth, Caroline Tong, Caroline Mierins, Emily Alexander, Natasha Duncan.
Middle Row: Sabrina Villeneuve, Monica Mikhaiel (Frankie Muniz), Silya Shenassa (Johnny Depp), Amanda Lewis, Kerry McInnes.
Bottom Row: Julia Churchill-Smith (Ben Affleck), Natalie Ogonek, Eva Palumbo, Jocelyn Sevigny, Kailey Richards, Vanessa Morgan Mziray (Shemar Moore)

Ms. Tweedie

Back Row: Lindsey Hunt, Karenna Boychuk, Geneviève McSpaden, Katherine Belley, Rachel Stein, Alexandra Hindo, Justine Boomer, Jane Anderson, Mme Coates. Front Row: Anne Marie Wilson, Christine Soong, Laurie Biewald, Lindsay Bryden, Rebecca Park, Sarah Coyne, Jasmine You, Alexa Murray. Absent: Julie Sutton

Mme Coates

If I had a magic power it would be...

Rachel – able to create anything so I can take over the world! Wah Ha Ha!
Christine S. – to jump into the T.V. and play part of the show
Lindsey H. – able to become invisible
Julie S. – the power to stop sickness and cure it
Alexa M. – to be an Animagus, which is when I can turn into any animal that I want
Justine – to be able to turn into anything I want (ex. My parents, a dog, a fish etc.) and to get whatever I want when I want it (ex. I want a dog! Ar I get a dog!)
Laurie B. – to make an endless supply of evian mist bottles appear before my eyes
Karenna B. – to be able to wave my hand and money would appear in front of me. Then I would be able to buy anything I want
Genevieve M. – to cure all diseases
Anne Marie – I would be able to fly effortlessly
Sarah C. – the ability to rewind time
Rebecca – to be invisible
Jasmine Y. – that allows me to do anything I want (ex. Be invisible, transform into anything I want, etc.)
Katherine Belley – able to change my appearance
Jane A. – be able to morph into any animal or person
Ally H. – to make a formula that would make a duplicate of myself so my duplicate would be at school and I would be horse back riding all the time!
Alicia- to be a female warlock so that I could call upon the forces of Nature

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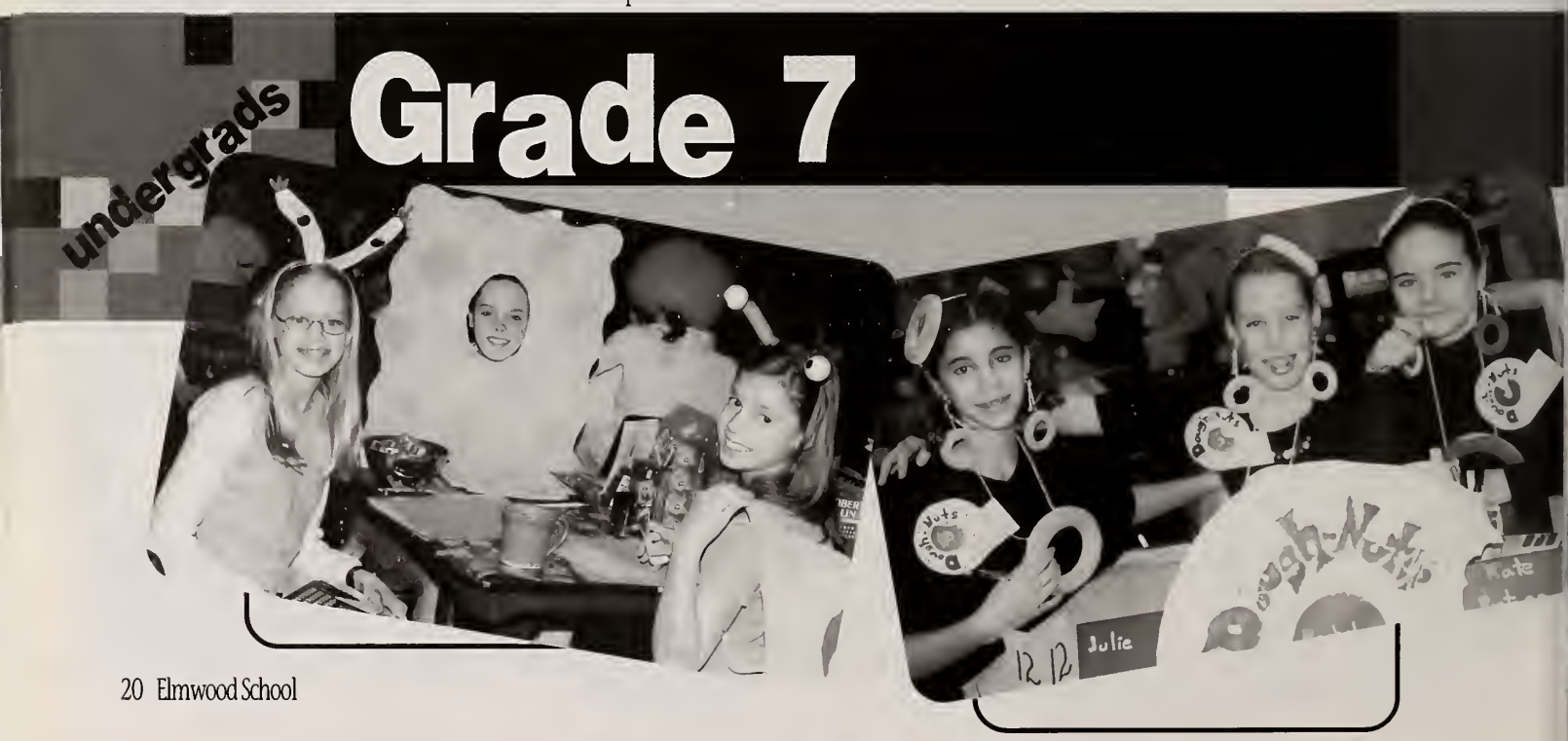
Grade 7



k Row: Kate Portner Gartke, Caroline Garel-Jones, Sarah Shaikhali, Lore Lima, Alicia Bartlett, agan Cork, Julianne Hjartarson, Supriya Sethi, Ms. Holt. **Front Row:** Amrita Pal, Lisa Baillieul-Fine, nwyn Thomson, Angelica Boyle, Toni Duval, Sara Bastianelli, Joanna Schembri, Raisa Patel. sent: Carmina Badani, Jane Scholes.

Ms. Holt

Celebrity Husbands (as chosen by classmates)
Julianne – Orlando Bloom (Pirates of the Caribbean)
Alicia – Matt McGuire (Lizzie McGuire)
Toni – Elijah Wood (Lord of the Rings)
Jane – Eeyore (Winnie the Pooh)
Amrita – A.J Trauth (Even Stevens)
Sara B. – Frankie Muniz (Agent Cody Banks)
Meagan – Harry Potter
Sarah S. – Benji (Good Charlotte)
Kate – Gordo (Lizzie McGuire)
Lore – Joel (Good Charlotte)
Joanna – Patrick (Spongebob Squarepants)
Caroline – Chandler Bing (Friends)
Supryia – Austin Powers
Lisa – Aaron Carter
Raisa – Vin Diesel (XXX)
Bronwyn – Prince William
Angelica – Chester (Linkin Park)
Carmina – Josh Hartnett (Pearl Harbour)
Ms. Holt – Angel (Buffy the Vampire Slayer)

Back Row: Hannah Thomas, Alison Miller, Maggie Cogger-Orr, Stephanie Sardelis, Helena Haugli, Rachelle-Zoe Bonneville, Sonya Wadhera, Marisa Ashley, Ms. Jackson. Front Row: Meredith Moore, Sophia Dhalla, Danika Leminski, Ashley Adams, Marie Jaeger, Sophia Lal, Hayley Arnold, Elena Clark, Molly Reisman. Absent: Sarah Corkery, Nicola Ostrom.

Ms. Jackson

If I could have a supernatural power, it would be...
Ashley- being able to fix problems in the world.
Hayley-picking things up with my mind.
Marisa- being able to turn invisible.
Rachelle- being able to get anything I want, whenever i want it.
Elena-reading people's mind.
Maggie- being able to read peoples minds, and tell what they are thinking.
Sarah-being a card captor.
Sophia D.- being able to pause, fast-forward and rewind any to any moment
Helena- being able to teleport to a Senators game, to see Mike Fisher.
Marie- being able to breathe under water.
Sophia L.-blocking out everybody else's power.
Danika- being able to tell the future and to move things with my eyes.
Alison- being able to shape-shift other objects.
Meredith-to be able to control the elements.
Nicola-to be able to have candy whenever and wherever I wants.
Molly- being able to transform.
Steph-being a cardcaptor.
Hannah- being able to ice freeze everybody.
Sonya- being able make things disappear by snapping my finger.
Ms. Jackson- being able to fly.

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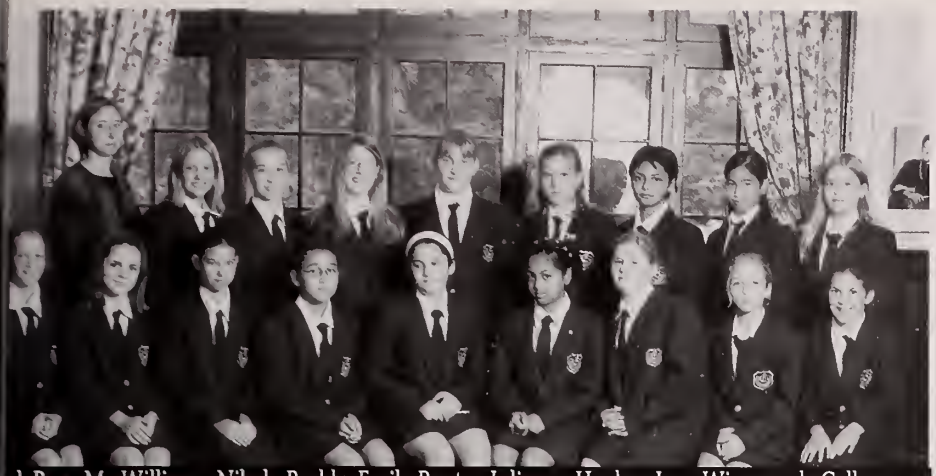

ck Row: Ms. Williams, Nikola Ruddy, Emily Baxter, Julianne Hughes, Jesse Wiwczaruk, Colleen own, Sonya D'Silva, Anita E, Emily Bain. Front Row: Alexandra Brown, Katherine McDonald, aterina Yelle Labre, Sarah Nouraeyan, Sandy Kechichian, Shilpa Goel, Elizabeth Tetzlaff, Larissa dop, Alison Jamieson. **Absent:** Charlotte MacKenzie.

Ms. Williams

Whose Shoes?

Back Row: Shamila Charania, Hilary Brown, Ashley Babcock Brooks, Jennifer Fuller, Anita Malik, Anne-Christine Asselin, Hannah Paterson, Rachel Witherspoon, Talia Poleski, Ms. Dabee. Middle Row: Julia Campbell, Erin Kerr, Alexis Martineau, Stephanie Grand, Vera Qi-Lin, Forrest Hartman, Valerie Lemelin, Nikki Campbell, Sarah Merkley. Front Row: Dana Zhalko-Tytarenko, Stephanie Fung, Katie Yelle . Absent: Caitlin Phillips.

Ms. Dabee

If we were cartoon characters, we would be:

Hilary Brown: Timmy
Valerie Lemelin: Garfield
Julia Campbell: Kenny
Anne-Christine Asselin: Gobbles
Erin Kerr: Stimpy
Ashley Babcock Brooks: Pinky
Talia Poleski: Brain
Stephanie Grand: Rolie Polie Olie
Dana Zhalko-Tytarenko: Snoopy
Shamila Charania : Woodstock
Forrest Hartman: Catbert
Nikki Campbell: Pluto
Stephanie Fung: Snowy
Sarah Merkley: Arthur
Hannah Paterson: Pooh Bear
Vera Qi-Lin: Blue's Clues
Rachel Witherspoon: Bob the Builder
Jennifer Fuller: Elmer Fudd
Katie Yelle: Sylvester
Alexis Martineau: Tweety Bird
Caitlin Phillips: Bashful
Anita Malik: Franklin
Ms.Dabee: Stewie Griffin

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Grade 8

k Row: Mrs. Dorcas, Kaleigh McMurray, Samantha Lamontange, Brittany Lewis, Dana
ntemichuk, Anneka Bakker, Kira Heymans, Nora Dempsey, Jennifer LePan, Claire Sevigny, Maja
enspon. Middle Row: Rebecca LeFevre, Nicola Childs-Adams, Emily Rack, Samantha Montgomery,
nna Mar, Cecelia Culver-Grey, Olivia Taggart, Vanessa Assaly, Michaela McGee. Front Row:
olle Bonar, Rosa Tran, Toika Kanters. Absent: Charlotte Pattee.

Mrs. Dorcas

orite Quote or Saying:

ly: Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile
heir shoes, so that way when you do criticize them,
u are a mile away, and you have their shoes.
nna: Dance like nobody's watching,
e like you'll never be hurt,
like nobody's listening, and live like it's heaven on Earth.
essa: Never feel let down.
ca: Shizzle dizzle o n'izzle, doggy fizzle.
ny: Y & R FOREVER
na: Let me ponder the thoughts of life.
neka: I love ballet!!!
e: Your way to spirituality is retirement.
a: Good girls keep diaries, but bad girls don't have time.
n L: When life just can't get worse,
and pig out on chocolate, 'cause it's yummy.
tany: I have like so much paper!

Olivia: Live life to the fullest so that if you ever have to look back on, it will be worth watching.
Michaela: Save the world, it is the only planet with candy!
Toika: Tish the fish who lives in a dish making a wish.
Nora: Things will get better in the end, and if they aren't better its not the end!
Nicolle: The possible is done at once; the impossible takes a little anger.
Kaleigh: Mozart created 25 symphonies in 2 years and we made this bag in 20 years.
Claire:I was like freaking out.
Maja: Ver is da Bay?!
Rosa: The man who follows the crowd will usually get no further than the crowd. The man who walks alone will usually end up in places no one has ever been.
Sam M: You're going to the madhouse.

Back Row: Miss McCurdy, Rachel Hutchinson, Jasmine Rasuli, Krina Merchant, Andrea Bennett, Ka McDowell, Rachel Currie, Sophie Goss, Olivia Scott, Prashanthi Baskaran, Sam Lindsay. Middle Row Isabella Price, Liz Kelly, Megan Halliwushka, Kimberly Fung, Sana Syed, Rebecca Cheff, Megan Cod Rebecca-Rose Loeb, Stephanie Hunt. Front Row: Riyaz Basi, Kylie Flynn, Anisha Sinha. Absent: Nico Childs- Adams.

Miss McCurdy

What we're known for:

Riyaz Basi: Most vertically challenged
Prashanthi Baskaran: Most "rock on"s
Andrea Bennett: (nothing stated)
Rebecca Cheff: Most cow-friendly, moooooo!
Nicola Childs-Adams: (nothing stated)
Megan Cody: Most ambitious plans to become billionaire with Liz Kelly
Rachel Currie: Most musical
Kylie Flynn: Most announcements in one term
Kim Fung: Most perfect and organised
Sophie Goss: Most self-assured
Megan Halliwushka: Shortest hair
Stephanie Hunt: Quietest
Rachel Hutchinson: Most allergic
Liz Kelly: Most ambitious plans to become a billionaire with Megan Cody
Sammie Lindsay: Funniest
Rebecca-Rose Loeb: Fastest
Karin McDowell: Most athletic
Krina Merchant: Most uniform abuse
Isabella Price: Most feline friendly
Jasmine Rasuli: Biggest flirt
Olivia Scott: Longest hair
Anisha Sinha: Most sarcastic
Sana Syed: Nicest eyes
Miss McCurdy: Best cookies, most "you can't leave yet"s"

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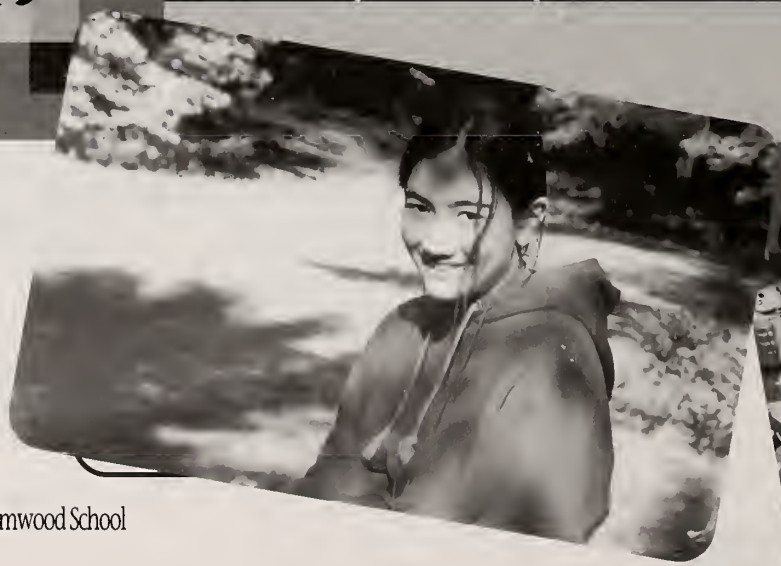

ck Row: Malene Jaegar, Beverly Clunis, Sydney Haughian, Margaret Seaborn, Sarah Black, Julia rmand, Jessica Batt Sheehan, Amina Ibrahim, Mme Dominique. Middle row: Larissa Zajac, abeth Maffett, Erika Tilson, Jane Reisman, Lillian Wallace, Stephanie Shea, Alexandra Fottinger, xandra DeForge. Front row: Alicia Timmons, Diane Nakamura, Fajer Almulaifi.

Mrs. Dominique

here will you be in 15 years?

x D.- On the NASA space station with Liz
x F.- In charge of NASA ground control, talking to Alex D. And Liz
cia T.- with Snoopy, working with chimps
ina- with Bow Wow, under the sea
erly C.- with Eric Kemp, living large
ne- with Ashton Kutcher, Costa Rica
ma M.- with Jamie Bell, in California
ka with Orlando Bloom, driving a Mazda Protégé five (metallic blue)
er- with David Bisbal, in Casablanca, Morocco
e- with Gregory Smith, driving a Ferrari
sie- with E. Hirsch, PhD, making her first million
ia- with Adam Brody, own law firm
rissa- with Alister McKenzie, in a Spanish artist colony
lian- with chad Michael Murray, prima ballerina
- with Jake 2.0, on the NASA space station with Alex D.
lene- with Colin Farrell, in Australia
rah B.- with Brad Renfro, driving a Dodge Viper
ph- with Johnny Depp, driving a little rattle-trap that won't show dents
dney- with Andy Roddick in a mansion

Grade 9

Back Row: Katie Lark, Leah Somers, Keva Legault, Margo Vachon, Kirsten Boomer, Emma Duret, Beverly Part, Imke Scholz, Mrs. Depooter. Front Row: Séverine Vignoli, Selin Saatçioglu, Kacie Thomas, Lucy Soudek, Ernestine Moore-Drolet, Sarah Groves, Lisa Cameron. Absent: Danielle Rainville , Neeti Vanaik.

Mrs. Depooter

What Fruit or Vegetable Best Represents Us?
Kirsten: Cucumber, because it's tall and skinny
Lisa: Squash, because it's squishy
Emma: Blackberry, because I love black
Sarah: Watermelon, because it's pink and juicy
Katie: Lettuce, because it's fresh and crunchy
Keva: Kiwi.It's sweet and tangy at the same time
Ernestine: Pumpkin. My mom and dad were married on Halloween, and I like pumpkins
Beverly: Strawberries. they're nice and sweet
Danielle: Lemon, because it's sour
Selin: Canteloupe, because I like canteloupes
Imke: Apple.I don't want to go to the doctor
Leah: Blueberries. Blue is my favorite colour
Lucy: Banana. Yellow is my favorite colour
Kacie: Coconut, because coconuts are good
Margo: Pomegranate, because it is unique
Neeti: Pineapple, because it is full of spikes
Severine: Grapefruit. It tastes good with sugar.
Mrs. Depooter: Starfruit, because I'm a superstar!

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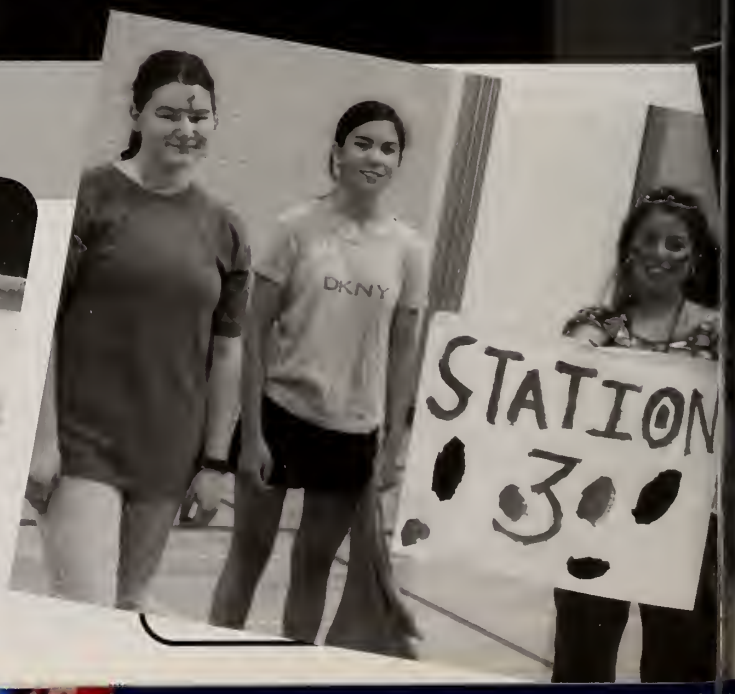

ck Row: Ms. Marchand, Morgan Wallack, Meaghan MacLean, Emily Mattiussi, Emily Cork, Devon Cormack, Alicia Kerrigan, Julia Renaud, Clare Funston, Ms. Carver. **Middle Row:** Emma Godmere, ah Taylor, Scottie (Virginia) McLaughlin, Christiane McGovern, Elly Smallwood, Jenn Gagnon, riam Goubran, Shauna Turney. **Front Row:** Nicole Rosove, Ishani Nath, Leanne Sharzer.

Ms. Carver
Mrs. Marchand

ss Roles
Carver: Councillor (that's always late)
s. Marchand: Duke of Ed Enthusiast
aghan: Cheerleader
re: Stand Up Comedian
ani: Organizer
cia: Everyone's Best Friend
ttie: Storyteller
riam: Quiet Mouse
huna: Pessimist
von: Mother
n: Cougher
ily Cork: Basketball Star
ily Mattiussi: Uniform Faux Pas!
ia: Smiler
cole: Nicole – the NORMAL one
nne: Scientist
ma: Politician
ah: Lumberjack/Mouth

Morgan: ABSENTEE!
Christiane: Perfectionist
Elly: Reader

Back Row: Mrs. Hackett, Jenny Cheetham, Bre Burnatowski, Marnie Brown, Ghada Al-Hussaini, Gw Cowley, Missy Dietz, Virginia Brown, Willie Deneault. Front Row: Nazik Amdiss, Erin Coultry, Alex Billings, Sarah Buchan, Becky Allen, Meghan Bain, Megan Cheung. Absent: Sara Anderson, Zoë Anderson, Anna Cameron.

Mrs. Hackett

Crimes of 10A, as voted by their classmates
Ghada – too klutzy
Becky – too British
Nazik – always JUST on time/ghetto/short
Sara – too much makeup
Zoë – mellow
Meghan B – homeroom deserter
Alex – too much of a LOTR fan (Legolas)
Marnie – part of the Thurso mob
Virginia – too deaf
Sarah – too perfect
Bre – too much hair
Anna – too pale
Jenny – no criminal record
Megan C – flawless skin
Erin – quiet
Gwen – too eccentric
Willie – too many hockey announcements
Missy – no alarm clock
Ms.Hackett – the FBI

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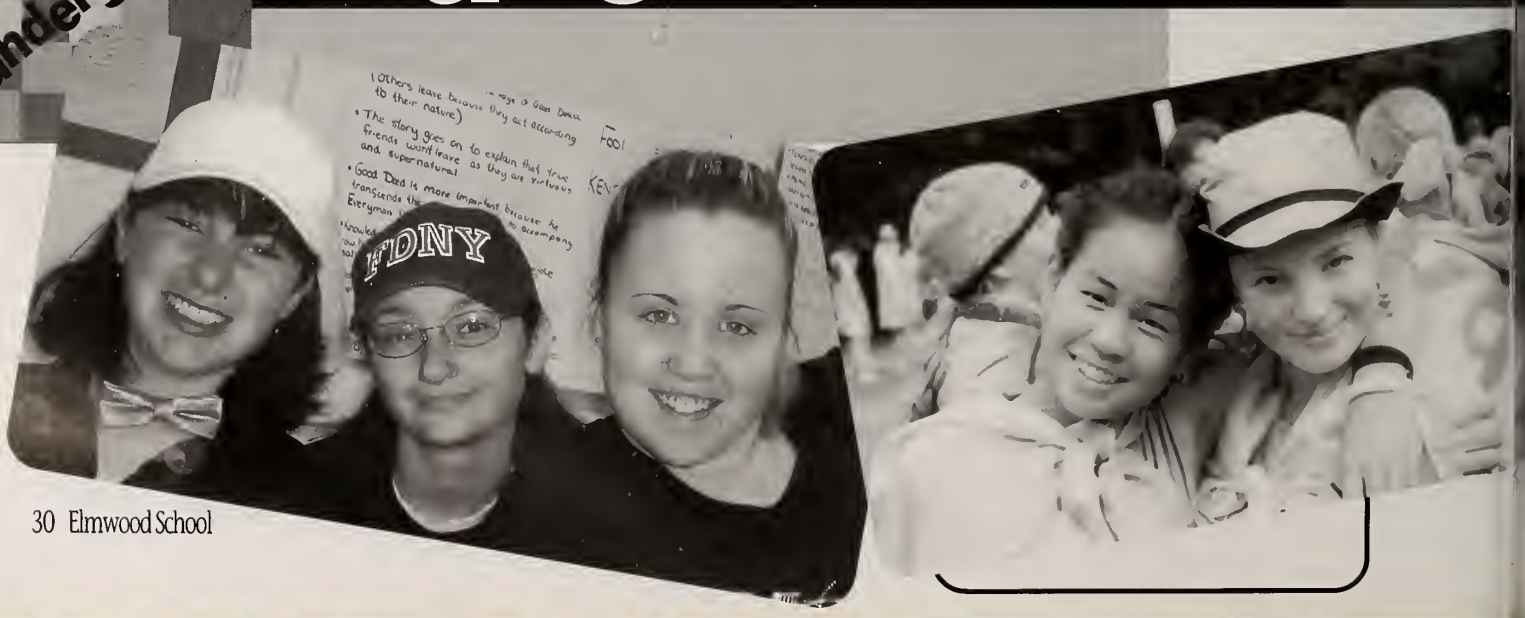
Grade 10



k Row: Mrs. McCabe, Karlye Wong, Elizabeth Wilson, Sandra van der Jagt, Emmalyne Watt, Nora tan, Kyla Weinman, Emily White. Front Row: Jessie Thornton, Laura Thurlow, Hope Villeneuve, risha Tardif, Stephanie Tannis, Julia Sterparn, Mandara Wiwczaruk, Jessica Thompson. Absent: Amira ros, Anna Warunkiewicz.

Mrs. McCabe

Back Row: Ms. Hunter, Allie Mierins, Justine Sabga, Geneviève Roach, Sarah Quinn, Courtney Smi
Anna McKay, Alex Pattee. Middle Row: Tara Sprott, Angela Skaff, Blair Stein, Talia Sechley, Isabe
Mercier, Christine Leduc, Lorena Mason, Mandy Park. Front Row: Kate Meehan, Winnie Langer,
Parysa Salemi.

Ms. Hunter

Every Morning in Homeroom You'll See...
Kate fiddling with her drama binder
Talia as the first one here
Winnie on Talia's laptop
Blair with her hair wet from swimming
Tara talking about her boyfriend
Isabelle reading
Christine being a Frenchy
Justine applying lip gloss
Alex talking to Willie
Gen eating Bits n' Bites
Parysa in homeroom
Lorena doing UNFINISHED homework
Sarah getting her hair braided
Anna playing Snood
Allie being late
Angela breaking it down with hip hop steez
Mandy writing letters
Courtney changing into her uniform
Ms. Hunter with coffee

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k Row: Dr. Mahin, Ayaka Fujiwara, Erin Horwitz, Christine Johnston, Anne Kirvan, Katie Howard, ra Furlong-MacInnis, Kerri Haynes, Iris E, Rosemary Lazier, Ms. Whitfield. Front Row: Catherine bard, Stephanie Hjartarson, Sandy Coutouly, Pauline Rault, Ayla Fisk, Lizzie Howard, Caroline Kingston, y Hemmings. Absent: Erica Hoe, Teagan Jones.

Dr. Mahin
Ms. Whitfield

Mme Adams
Mme Sabourin

Back Row: Mme. Adams, Ashley Laplante, Caroline Lefort, Perry McCormack, Genna Giampaolo, Alex McClenahan, Laura Kerrigan, Daniela Roessler, Nicky Lightstone, Karen Leung, Monique Larson. Middle Row: Katie King, Dominique AlexanderHannah McGechie, Eva Hitschfeld, Jade Legault, Cha Wha Hong Mme. Sabourin. Front Row: Annie Lee, Stephanie Hewetson, Alexa Gendron-O'Donnell.

Where could you find us:

Monique: try the library
Ashley and Caro: you can find them at the 7-11
Laura: check on the soccer field
Jade: check with John Mayer
Stephanie: check at Yuk Yuk's
Genna: you can find her at Saunder's Farm
ChaWha: you can find her sleeping
Annie: you can find her singing by a piano
Eva: look for her in the 'Hood'
Hannah: look for her in the Classics room
Perry: you can find her in the pool
Nicky: check the Esso repair shop
Karen: look for the milk
Katie: obessively watching re-runs of Buffy
Alex: look for her at a pet store
Alexa: don't worry, she'll find you

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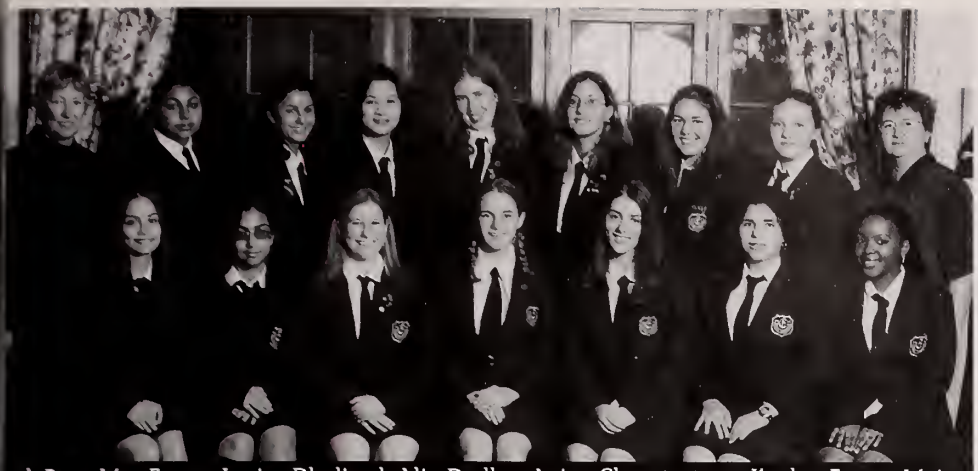

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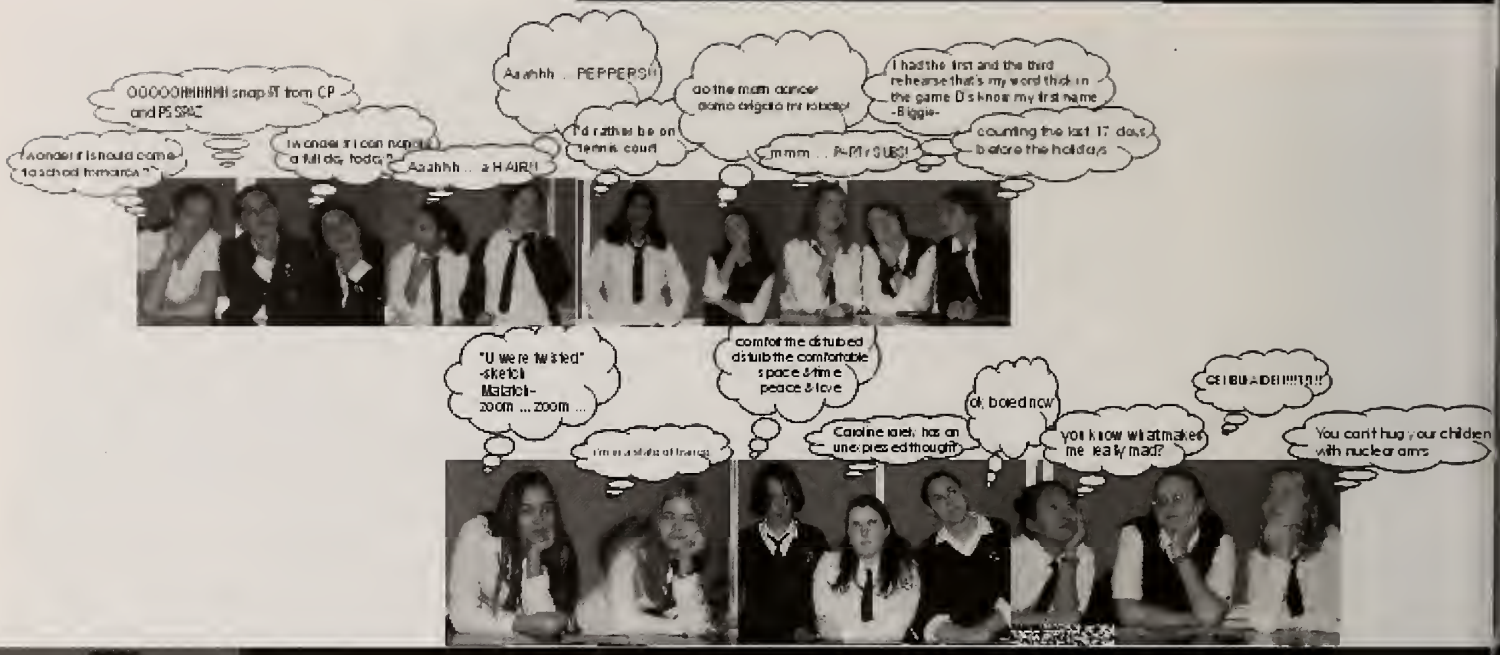
Mrs. Faguy
Ms. Rossiter

Ms. Lamb

Back Row: Jennifer Tigner, Jessica Venables, Jane Pigott, Missy Whiteduck, Sandra Sharpe, Tam Wilson, Deeja Sultan, Morgen Smith, Miss. Lamb. Front Row: Caroline McLoughlin, Sarah Yan, Katherine Morrison, Jessika White, Rosemary Tross, Abanti Zakaria, Marielle McGovern. Absent Yagman, Daniela Rosseler, Kristina Medow.



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Emma Allen

Grad write up, already, WOW, I can't believe it! 7 years, and it's finally over. Oh the memories, some good, some bad. So many great girls, you're all going to go far, no matter what obstacles you have to overcome. So to the class of 2004...GOOD LUCK with whichever path all you girls decide to take. There are many more memories to come. JESS, oh the good times, Vancouver, your cottage (can't wait 'til the summer), the concerts (yeah warped tour this summer!), McCrae dances...sorry I didn't help u out... now JAZ, what can I say...we've had our ups and downs, the stupid fights, BUT Thanks for listening whenever I really needed to talk, and whenever we did hang out it was always a great time. You can't deny it. Always a rider! Haha.

Love 'em all
Emma a.k.a Crashie ;)

Christina Amundsen
Middle School Prefect

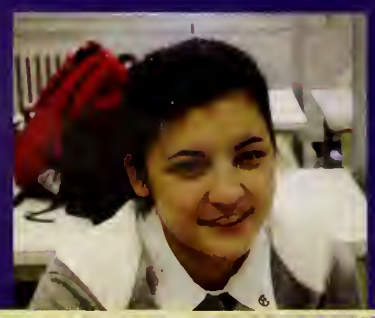
Life lusty ladies, / keen eyes ask see, / "where the many highway go, now that we are free." / A violin I will cradle, with / one suitcase in my hand, / single, without a penny, / the airport's where I stand. // I love this. Security in absolute openness; unknowingness. // Elmwood. / I danced in you. / Felt my firm shoeless feet against your full figure. / Felt the brilliant teache soar in wisdom's breeze. I will bring them with me. // "Ride the ceremonies until they grow dark *burn* to that final note. / Exist curvy wooers, / of life while it's afloat. // You / life lusty ladies, / with curious, desirous bite, / the brightly painted sailboats / will keep you with their sight. // No wrinkles at my entry, / and impassioned in tha high, / a vibrant, red-blooded fiery, / breeds appetite in my eye. // Progress paints her pregnant hue / your hungry spirit's the tide. / Let i be the brightest blue / the wind is your reside. // "It's not how far you it's how go you far". I guess it's time I put my shoes on

Heather Armstrong

"All the world's a stage, And all the men and women merely players. They have their exits and their entrances. And one man in his time plays many parts, His acts being seven ages." - William Shakespeare This act is done and all thats left is the exit. We've had a good run and many people made it so. Thank you. To Mom and Dad for being you. To Shawn who always knew and understood. To Karl and the GG crew for lending me an ear and an eye, anytime. To Jess for letting me be me. To Katie for realizing that I was just as faulted as the rest of the world, and sticking around. To my teachers for putting up with me. To the new years crew, teammates, and everyone else for playing your parts. Bring on the next act... *"The real value of sport is not the actual game played in the limelight of applause, but the hours of dogged determination and self discipline carried out alone, imposed and supervised by an exacting conscience. The applause soon dies away, the prize is left behind, but the character you build is yours forever."*

Jennifer Blakney

As he neared the end of his journ writing the music for "Lord of t Rings", film composer Howard Shore received a fortune cookie which said; "It is good to begin well; it is better to end well". Th sums up my feelings about my arrival and departure at Elmw Thank you to all the teachers fo the education and wisdom. Nick love you, my smelly best friend all my friends, thank you makin me laugh. Classes will not be th same. To my parents, thank you for making the decision to send here. I will be sad to leave this significant part of my life behin and sometimes wish that I could have done things over, but in th words of Brian Kinney from 'Queer As Folk'; "No regrets, no apologies regret nothing of these 9 years being here. Every moment has been a wonderful experience. kthnxbai.



Alissa Bonneville

I'm grateful for my friends, my family and my education. My girls from Elmwood, no doubt the greatest chicks ever: Emma, my favourite snob, Jill who can make me laugh anytime, Cabrey, with the greatest personality, Alex Comos' little accident, Kathryn, Johanna, you're the chilliest, Gab, j'taime! Avril Lavigne, the park, the dances, the talks and definite secrecy. I thank god for my mom's smile and my dad's heart. Julie, Michele, Mitch, Dan L., Gab, all my best friends e learned through these past 4 years that what goes around mes around. I can't believe its all over, but life, love and ppiness and hard work awaits me. Thanks Elmwood.

Gabrielle Bonneville

I would have never imagined that Elmwood would have turned out to be such a great experience, and that I would have had so much fun. Thank-you to all the teachers here who made my journey through high school so enjoyable, so great. Thank-you for all the support I've had from you Alissa, my twin and my best friend. Thank-you mostly to my wonderful parents for the push to make me the best I can be and for always being there. Elmwood has marked me for the best. To all my girls here, Emma, Alex, Cabrey, Julie, Jill, Johanna: everyone. It was so much funòCosmo's, those crazy "beans" or "carrots", the coffees and the laughs. I Love u guys so much! Rachelle: my beautiful baby sister, enjoy it here. Keep smilin' and good luck!

yli Cooper

she shines in a world full of ugliness
she matters when everything is meaningless
sometimes it's just that nothing seems worth saving
i can't watch her slip away

I just want to see my girlfriend. And I want some coffee.
I will SLIDE again.

Let's tell the girls to be strong, to be tall, to be sure.
e're unheard, we're unsure. We're....unstoppable.

Katie Crysdale
Prefect at Large

"I saw myself sitting at the base of a fig tree, starving to death, just because I couldn't make up my mind which of the figs I would choose. I wanted each and every one of them, but choosing one meant losing all the rest." -Sylvia Plath

I am eternally and unforgettably grateful to everyone who has helped me through these past three years. Teachers: Too many to name...I could never have done it without all your support. Prefects: Who could ask for a better group of girls to work with? IB Girls: We did it, but I couldn't have done it without your pillars of strength. Heather: Thanks for rides, late nights, skating, no school, everything under the sun; RIP Sir Frogglesworth. Rhia: Thanks for being one of my American-bound cronies; we survived the SATs! Anneka: Thanks for understanding, you 'get it' more than you think. We've walked this road less travelled together, we'll see each other finally happy at the other end. C.: Thanks for being the one who reminds me who I am inside & for being my friend...that's truly why you are so important to me. To every one else (Classics/Samara/Water Polo/et al.) you know who you are and you won't easily be forgotten.

"There. I've done my best. If that won't do, I shall have to wait until I can do better." -Victor Heermen

Ridhi Davada

I thoroughly enjoyed my two years at Elmwood and had a wonderful time. I would like to thank all my teachers Mrs.Szymanski, Mrs.Boyd, Dr.Mahin, Ms.Kerluke, Mr.Main and Ms.Whitfield who have been so supportive and patient. Without you wonderful teachers, my experience at Elmwood would not have been enjoyable. Thanks to my parents for choosing such a wonderful school like Elmwood and lastly thanks to all my friends at Elmwood who have been so cooperative and loving. Thanks to you all.

Rhiannon Derbysh
Junior School Pref

Through the five years I have been at Elmwood, all the moments whether up o down have been worth it the end. I have no more to say than to thank everyo who has helped me throug these years and to those th have provided the amusement necessary for me to have survived these years . Hopefully after the 5 years I can now speak Canadian. To the graduating class of 2004: Good luck in all of your futur endeavors.
"So long and thanks for all the fish." - Hitchhiker's Guid to the Galaxy.

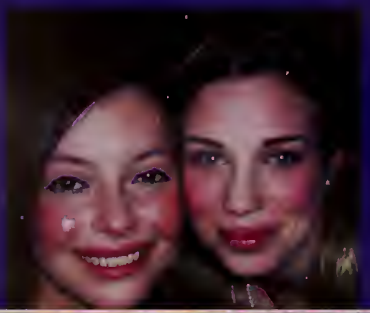
Shalta Dicaire

Mom + Peter, I love you to no ends. Thank you for all that you've given me. To the noble staff- thanks. S.R, S.C.G, J.N, J.P, A.M, A.F.Y, summer, hull, houseparties, vitamin "c", "nice boys!"..nice. J.P summer 02; J.N a+b=c, s.p cruisin', s'cup; S.C.G separated at birth, G3 , S.R. ups and downs, you've been my girl from day one. Here's to the old and the new. H.R.B forever.
To the lost ones, I think of you.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep.

Alexandra Duret
Senior Prefect

Mummy and Daddy I'll love you always. Thank you for all you h done and given up for me. You have been there no matter what always given me support. Emma love you! I'll never forget your strength and courage but that doesn't mean you can have my room. To the staff at Elmwood thanks for the support, encouragement and for believing me. You are truly a remarkable group of people. Coaches – I've a great time, good luck to all our future athletes. To all my frien LM, AK², VM, LP, CH, SM thanks all the good times. You have hel me to define who I am. Lauren see you in Europe, keep singing a smiling Isabella. Alex Keys: never forget a friend like you. Friends Forever. Caroline – who eats Turkish food? Vicki – you rock, never chan Alex Kirvan – Mother Theresa doesn't milk cats! Lo – basketball, volleyba rugby and more, good luck! Jaye – this is not your average.



Sarah Edwards

Its only been two years but what years they were. From Stratford with endless plays to never-ending walks home through the snow. It's been memorable. V-ball, soccer and track. Sports rule all! OFSAA v-ball, killer relay and running in the rain. To everyone in T.O., you stayed by me through it all, and to everyone here, you all rock! To my family, thanks for everything. And just so you know, LEAFS RULE!!!!! (and we WILL win the cup). When get to the top of the mountain, I'll race you to the bot-n.

Heather Galley

This year was the best decision I ever made during high school. First I want to thank my parents who always stood by me and encouraged me to do what I wanted. I missed your constant presence this year but it also taught me independence. Thank you so much for everything you have done for me ...I couldn't have done it without you. I also want to thank my friends from here and home for making life easier, more fun and for still being there for me. All the drives home to see everybody were well-worth it! Thanks to Stephen for encouraging me to do well and supporting me in coming to Elmwood. I'll miss all my new friends next year but I'll never forget you guys! Love you all!! See yah!!

na Goel

Mummy, Papa, and Shilpa: Thank you for always being there when I needed you most, and all the support and love you have given me, especially in these past 4 years. Teachers/Staff: Thank you for all the support, encouragement and understanding, especially Dr. George – English, Mrs. Szymanski – Calculus, and Mrs. McCabe – Art! I really loved your classes, and will never forget how much I have learned from you all! Marion "Mario": I'll always remember our yellow bus rides and short lil phone/msn convos!!! Claire, Rhiannon, Katja, and Samira "Samiri": All those great moments...the Robotics trips and "intellectual" and political conversations! Caterina: I'll miss u, but I wish you all the best at university in Italy, and remember to keep in touch! Ridhi: It was great having a friend straight from India, especially Bombay cuz Bollywood Rules!!! Humari woh hindi mein jo itni baate hua karti thi mein humesha yaad hungi, aur jub sub hume ghoor ghoor kar dekhte the yeh jaane ke liya hum kya e rahe hoi! To All: Thanks for 4 awesome years, I'm really gonna miss you! Love wayz, Neha

Cabrey Grey

Thank You to the following: Mom and Dad- for guiding-loving and an excellent life, excluding 6th-grade, I couldn't have asked for more. You're my heroes - I'll miss you. Tom, Tim, Meg: You're the light of my life. Always remember: dinners-soccer-wrestling-the gum-dad stuttering/falling on ice-our crazy mom. You know I'm the favorite-I love you. Tommy, good-luck, you'll never fill my shoes, but you can try. To my teachers: for driving me to excellence. To my friends-classmates-peers-of 2004: stunt devils-weapons of choice-Sac Boys-Keith Urban-second cup-cheese/jam-secret weapons-volleyball-rugby-basketball-godding symbol-smith falls-robbingthecradle-compulsive-disorders-evil eye-TK-midgets-Good-Luck its been an honor. To Elmwood-Class-of-2004-these-are-the-days-make-them-a-lasting-impression-on-your-life. They-go-by-faster-than-you-could-ever-imagine.

Rayan Hagona

"Intellectual growth should commence at birth and cease only at death." — *Albert Einstein*...Just when you think you're done, you come to realize that you're still just at the beginning ..... First and foremost, I would like to express all thanks to God because if it wasn't for Him, I wouldn't be where and who I am today. Next, to my most loving parents who without their tender love and support I would not be where I am in life today. To all my family, friends, and teachers thank you for everything. Love you all. Take care.

Nadia Ham Pong

Now the time has come, I f that there is little I can s No words can describe t memories and experien that have been accumulat the jokes, good and bad; or t friends that have joined along the way. Thank yo far too little a word and there is no other that c match its meaning. Tha you to family, my frien new and old; and the sch that has been a part of life.

I wish you the best.

Selina Hsia

Thanks to all the earnest and patient teachers who instructed me throughout my three years at Elmwood. I have learned the knowledge of schoolwork, and the principles of life. I also want to thank my friends who were always there for me when I was down and supported me. When I almost lost my way, my friends tried to help me find my direction in life. (Even though it did not really work...hahaha) "There's no banquet which would never end" - I hope all my schoolmates have brilliant prospects, and be in good health forever. Take really good care of yourselves!! Bless you all.

Caroline Hunt

Opportunities, challenges, adventu and lasting friendships are all thin I have gained here at Elmwood. Thanks to my wonderful teachers you have been amazing role mod for me and have helped me grow into a confident young woman. Friends, you are what kept me goi Your enthusiasm, smiles, and constant support will never be forgotten. I wish you all the best luck next year. You will excel at anything you put your minds to. Dorothy, an amazing friend/ honorary big sister. Your hugs, sm and talks have meant so much to me. Thank you. Erica, I could never have wished for a better bi sister. You are an amazing role model and young woman. I love you. Alex, you are a wonderful l brother. Your unconditional love and support has helped me throu good and bad times. I love you. Mom and Dad, I have you two to thank for making me the woman I am today. You have provided me wit encouragement, love, strength and support. I will be forever grateful. I l you so much. Thank you.

Salma Ibrahim

Yes, we finally made it! Who knew I would last this long? Premièrement, I would like to thank: My Parents who have always supported me and had faith in me. My family- Wancuchaalahay. Thank you to God for everything u have given me. To G.G-what can I say?! Thank you guys for always being there for me and times when I wasn't there myself. Your friendships have meant so much to me and have brought so many memories I will cherish forever. JessL- Pompeii, Deviation, Fresh fish, wut? Its Mr. Fern b-day...Marion-ksssssh, all those boys (who can keep count anymore), Tien- my milkshake, bow wow. Selina and Jenn –thanx. Anais- I'm so glad I got to work with u on Int. night-that was something wasn't Ridhi and Maja-thank u for always being there On the bus. Good luck. erina-best of luck in Italy. Skipps, Kirvan, Caro, Lo-u guys are so funny, t ever change. Rayan-so glad I met u. To my teachers-thanks for all the ling years and for influencing me. Grads- The world is waiting for us and I e that everyone is able to experience adventures, challenges, and many ortunities in life.

Anais Kadian
Head of Keller

Elmwood has given me the best and most important years of my life. Time through which I have found the meaning of trust, work, commitment, strength, and self. To my friends, thank you for being such beautiful people, I am lucky to have been a part of a graduating class that is so strong, so talented and so ready for it all! Thank you, Julie for being my partner in crime, Sarah for being my siamese twin. Laura, my best friend, I love you so much. A Mme Adams merci d'avoir ouvert mes yeux et mon cœur au monde. Mr. Main, thank you for making me want to be a lawyer, a judge, a prime minister... Merci maman pour m'avoir aimer sans condition, sans restrictions, sans raisons. Bub, 18 daregani bebeket em ter, arants khoselou inzi misht hasgetsar. A Noushig, avoir une petite sœur comme toi c'est avoir tous les plus beaux trésors du monde. I wish everyone peace and love. Take a minute to smile, to close your eyes, to listen to the fragile rhythmic sound of your breath.

xandra Keys

"yesterday's a memory, tomorrow's just a dream." to 4 years of yesterdays, to those who have shared in the smiles and tears. laur: the times we had together - you will be with me forever. ali: you were always there and I will never forget it. alex: laughter turns to tears every time. lo: we've traveled the ups and downs together (in the previa). annie: you always believed in me. caroline-sarah-vic-jaz,: the things we've done and the times we've had will never be forgotten. my grade 11s: you know who you are and i love you. MM-AG-AB-NL: the best of teachers – thank you for making me who i am. dancing gals: thank you for sharing my passion. drama girls: there would be no fun without you. rugby girls: it's been a blast! thank you. nanny&papa: thank you for esting in my future. mom&dad: there are no words to say how much your e means to me. chrissie: you are my inspiration. to those who mean the ld to me. see you tomorrow.

Alexandra Kirvan

Well, what can I say, the time has come. I have made so many lasting memories, from Wonderland in gr.9 to Peru in gr. 12. I'd like to start by thanking my friends who have inspired me, helped me, motivated me, and most importantly made me laugh and have fun over the, what sometimes seemed like, long four years. So many good times...Montreal, Peru, Costa Rica, Camp, movie nights, concerts, Duke of Ed, snowboarding into trees, Pemichangan, random adventures, Quebec, tournaments, cottages, livin' it up @M.S, NSCF, missions, grand union (B+Js)...and laughs...secret weapon, tubbs,just kidding, ghost writer, mini-me, Juan, die-hard chad fans. I would also like to thank my family, Mom&Dad: for you continuous support, Ryan&Anne: for always being there and making me laugh (Anne-you finally get the room and the attention). Thank-you to my teachers and coaches, for their constant guidance and enthusiasm...and finally to the class of 2004, who have all made it out of the Wood, you girls are amazing and I wish the best of luck to every one of you!

Marion Liang

First of all, I would like to thank my Mom and Dad for always being there to listen, to support and most importantly to LOVE. I have to say thank you to all the teachers that have taught me for the 7 years I've been at Elmwood. To my GG's (Jess L [MD/DM], Salma, Selina, Jess T): You girls have always been there for me when I needed a laugh and a shoulder to cry on and I will always remember the good times we had, and I wish you girls the best of luck with everything next year! Neha: I'll always remember our yellow bus rides! Rayan: Loved working with you with the International Night Fashion Show this year...go Ginuwine! Anais: We have to invent our Horse hair and grease lightening shampoo! Caterina: Good luck with university in Italy, and remember to come back to visit! Chawha: I'll miss driving you to school everyday.. keep in touch! Pibnk: I'll miss seeing you at Glebe, and tutoring you! Lastly, I would like to thank all of the Grade 12's that made my last year at Elmwood an unforgettable one, and I know that all of you will succeed in anything you choose to do in the future. Take care and I love you all! Good-bye...

Jessica Loeb

"Life is what you make of it, i your crossword puzzle" – Kurt Cobain1967-1994
G-d*My incredibly POSITIVE a SUPPORTIVE parents. *IMA and ABA* you have always been th to catch me and guide me in t right direction. I LOVE YOU- Thanks for always taking the to listen to me. *MERISSA and JARRED-ROSS* I could not live without you. You have taught so much, never stop dreaming. peers, y'all have been non-stop laughs and a load of fun. *GHET GIRLS_* always&forever thanks all the fond memories. Teache and staff of Elmwood you've brought out the best in me an opened so many doors. Italy.Greece.Grade8bash.Ottawa senators.nerdy.25.md/dm. mother nature.Pompeii.inviz.JN. Duke of Ed. h2o polo. tennis team.todd_piercar making the band (I'm lou!).wonderland.pool staff.warped tour with BF moffatt. Julianx2. jack.white stripes concert with BFaka.AR. To all the g who put a smile on my face, thank you!. We finish to begin...*Shalom*

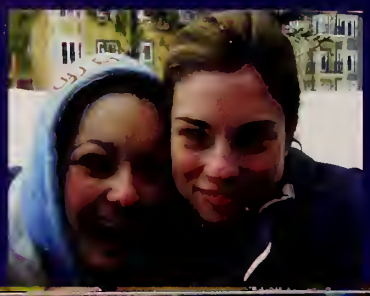
Lauren MacLean

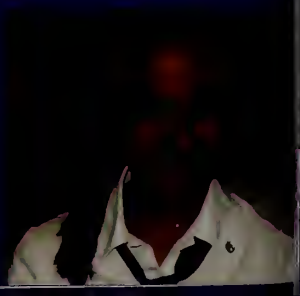
Head of Wilson

Dad and Mum – You guys have been there for me through all my ups and downs. You have pushed me to do my best. Thanks for listening to me. I wouldn't be here without you. Thank you for everything. Connor and Megs – Its up to you guys to keep the house running wildly! Love you both to the universe and back a million times. Kirvan – camp memories will last forever. Lots of fun. Vicks – thanks for making me laugh. Lo – So many fun times, and good talks. Sarah – you're hysterical, what am I going to do without you! Ali – lizzy, Peru, airbands, singing, dancing laughing Europe I luv you. Alex – Thanks for giving me a shoulder to lean on. You are awesome. Care – Ups and downs, fights and laughter, support and memories...luv you lots. Jaz – thanks for being there for me always, and for caring. Merry and Laura – you guys have kept me going-so many smiles, laughs and talks, the ravine, Tremblant, the basement - never change.

Sarah McDonald

Another chapter of m is ending and after eight years been a long one! A huge thah you goes out to all of my teac who have guided me through these years. Thanks Mom and Dad for giving me so many opportunities and to my sister Katherine and Heather...it m so much to know that I have little people in my life who wi support me no matter what. next year's grads, my first memories of Elmwood will alw be with you after the four yea we spent together. I made so amazing friendships which I will last long after I graduate best of luck to you next year. will miss you! To all of the incredible girls who went thro high school with me, I can't believe that I was so reluctant that first day in grade 9. I will remember you by your unique personaliti which, when combined, have made our grade so special. As for the friendships I have made...you girls know who you are because we share s amazing memories... (overwordcount!!!) Good luck!!!!





Caterina Meinardi

This was the most fabulous year of my life. It was a great experience to come back to Canada after a long time. I met a lot of wonderful people that I won't forget. Thank you to everybody, friends, teachers, my host family and everybody else who helped me and supported me. A huge thanks to my family who permitted me to realize my dream of coming to Canada and supported me from far away and of

se thank you for sending me to such a great school as wood. Another special thanks to Lois and Clayton for being "mother and brother" for a year.

Victoria Metz

Wow, I can't believe that three years have passed by so fast. My very first nerve-racking day at Elmwood seems like it was just yesterday. Graduating, that's a scary word. I used to think people who were in grade 12 were *so old*..... and I was right, we are *so old*. Anyway, I've had such a blast here! Thank you to all my teachers, and thank you to my Mom and Dad, you have been so supportive, and I love you, and to my bro, Alex what can I say, we're connectedJ. Now for a special thanks to all of my super duper fabulous friends, you know who you are, and you have made high school, bearable and even fun. So congratulations girls, we made it!!

urence Mouttham

To my girlz:
Assemblies, Bus, Car, Dancing, Emails,
Firstclass, Group-hugs,
Homeroom, Issues,
Joking, Ketchup-chips, Lol, Msn, Nicknames, Obsessive-compulsive, Parties, Qtness, Rideau, Stupid things Talking 24/7, Unstoppable laughter, Very crazy stuff, Wonderwall, X-iting news , You guys are too cool, Ze best friendz ever. SC, SP, AW, JT, HA, I'll never forget anything you guys did for me. To anyone who's changed my life for the best, papamaman, sis, teachers, friends, thank you so much. To all dancers: dance like no one is watching. I'll miss you

good luck where ever life leads you.

Anne Murphy

These six years at Elmwood have been more significant than I ever could have imagined. To the teachers who have done so much more – MMc/AB/AG/IM/EE/JF/GB – I will never forget. Mummy and Daddy, I will never be able to thank you enough for all you have done – YTBPITU. My girls in the Wood ~ you have made my days extraordinary. Thank you for all the memories – I will miss you terribly. Nix ~ I can't put into words how much you mean to me – I love you. Suz, Marco, Kats ~ I truly am the luckiest. To my theatre girls ~ Never change. Mattie and Max ~ You've helped me more than you know – keep on givin'er. "We are here. Life exists, and identity. The powerful play goes on, and you may contribute a verse. What will your verse be?" To those who have come and gone and especially to those who have come and stayed – thank you for contributing a verse.

Alexandra Nahwegahbow

Mom, Dad, Nickipoo, Bing and Pop I love you all so much, I couldn't have made it this far without you by my side. Kyle, my inspiration, I love you. Thankyou to all my teachers, who have always believed in me. To my grad girls of '04, you are all amazing, beautiful people who made my Woody years unforgettable. 7 Sins Crew, 'Mistah Goldie', Cosmos, SAC BOYS, ostiweewee ostiwawa, falling off stage at the Dome, ninja suits, Keith Urban...so much to say and not enough room. Thank you for making grad year awesome, I feel so blessed that you're all a part of my life. I'll miss you! Keep smiling, keep shining and keep your faces in the sun =) XOXO

Jillian Normand

Throughout my 5 years @ Elmwood, I've grown from a young girl to what I'm n leave it blank for you to decide.Mom&Da who made me possible.Ur limitless knowl and encouragement never ceases to amaze me.Thank you for this very expen opportunity!Although it was hard at tu was worth it. 3Js you're the funniest gir ever,don't let that spirit die! U have set the"bars"for me & taught me everythin there is to know about life! Julia: ur the of the 4j's @ Elmwood, make us proud.T boys in&out of my life,it's been fun! The teachers:"jillian socializes too much" tha you for making classes bearable & puttu up with me all these years.Mrs. Bates-w the speeding! (wink,wink) To my girls: Julie:"Ur like incense, a little bit you touc everyone around"-oh no, that's me! lol.U brown eyed girl.Ou...Quoi?, dancing, cott life, all the moments are irreplaceable! Co Chem buds, slamming into lockers, turn narcolepsy, great chilling times.we've ha share of laughs and clumsy moments! Emma:The schooldays would be longer and the spares shorter if it weren't for you. Shalta: Seana Paul, Chris SCUP boy, shalta/jill days Steph: birthday buddie Jewish celebrations!! JO,GB,AB,AFY,AM,JS,AN (Hey Mr Goldie) :U made my days here a lot interesting & fun than school should be...Jess L:We've somehow stuck together all these years,u make any situation a good1 ('nough said there) Ciao Bellas!!

Johanna Oakley

"Today is a gift, that's why we call it the present." Four years...gone by so fast. Brookfield, then on to Elmwood. My BHS girls, MRSK. Montreal-the pole, the cottage, C-Dub's hockey, linger at Mirage. My Elmwood girls, AGECJ, I couldn't have done it without you. Meg, I couldn't ask for a better friend, sister, and role-model. My parents, you've taught me so much. I feel blessed to have you in my life. Roy, my baby boy, my one and only, my first love, I will love you till the end of time. xoxo

Sarah Pelow- Charbonneau

In my three years at Elmwo think I have learnt more the learnt over my 17 years of li I learnt that good friends m all the difference. They taug me to smile again and to le things up to fate, and in du time everything would fall into place. New Year's Eve, Laser Quest, Skating on the Canal, driving into the baby tree at McDonalds, Club 301 co-op meetings in the sum and all of the other things t we did together are things t I will never forget and that have helped prepare me for the future. I love you Mom, Dad, Boomer, Angus and Meagan. Tien, Sam, Alison, Laurence, Heather, Alex M., Gwen and every one else I have gotten to know. Thank you!

Julie Pickering
Head of Nightingale

Find some inspiration
It's down deep inside you
Amend your situation
Your whole life is ahead of you
- Dave Matthews

Maman- Tu as toujours été la pour moi. Je t'aime éternellement.
Dad- You are a constant source of love and inspiration. Thanks for putting up with me.
Patou- Indian massage? Je t'adore- continue à travailler fort.
Marc- Je vais avoir de la difficulté à prendre le relais. Je t'aime.
My "girls"- I remain a loyal member of the blond crew. Jill, Audis, DaveMatthews, wine, being a great
riend substitute. Cabrey, Montreal & Opera singing. Steph- Nippling and
le? My pool!
is- Vancouver, Montrealx2, Kingston. You're a constant source of
vation for me... ILY
A.Y- The GENS rock!
s of 2004- Good luck girls, I know you will succeed.

Laure Emilie Pitfield
Sports Captain

Four years of laughter, tears and self-discovery, and I am who I want to be. Dad, thanks for always being there; I can always count on you. Maman, tu es une inspiration pour moi. Merci pour m'avoir tellement bien guidée! Welz and Ant never forget the inside jokes, midnight talks and "sick" days together. We've always been so close :) To the crew (Alex K², CH, LM, AD, VM, SM) – we've been through thick and thin, and I'll never forget you! Jaz, you made grade 12 so much fun. Bre, I would not have made it through this year without you. You mean so much to me!! Thanks to all who have left footprints in my life; AR, Anais, CG, MJT, CW, JP, JR, KC, fellow prefects, bball, vball and rugby teams: here's to the laughs and the memories! Special thanks to Mme Adams and Miss Lamb for their enthusiasm...and patience ;) Lots of love to Court and all you other nines and tens; keep smiling! *platypus smile* Work hard and make the best of every day at Elmwood. It's a journey you won't soon forget.

Plihal

This year has been the best year of my life! First of all, I would like to thank my parents for always being there. Second of all, I would just like to thank all my friends and all my teachers for helping me through the rough patches. Tien, thanks for the good laughs and our time on the internet. Sarah, thanks for being there when I needed you. Larry, thanks for all the bus rides/parties/ lunches and much more. It will not be forgotten. Ali, I will miss all the bus rides
d the "advice" you give us all. Lastly, I would just like to
nk Elmwood for giving me the greatest 2 years and I will
t forget it.

Stephanie Ramsay

Thanks to: Mom&Dad, for your infinite patience. Erin, Jeff, Cynthia-I couldn't have dreamt up better siblings if I tried. My HRB crew- AudiCruisin'/Driveby/ JPscottage/Cosmos /IDscandals/G2s/ Aftergrad03. I wouldn't have wanted to go through it with anyone else. SD-you ARE my spouse and better half. JN-my LFL, remember-2 is too few, 3 is too many. JP-"just turn on the fan", milking the dogs. CG-my weapon of choice, #3, SACboys. SG-Niiice, boys. AB-for all the love. SS-for surviving JCC. My car insurance, for being there for me. It's been a blast! XOXO

"Le cœur a ses raisons que la raison ne connaît point."

Pascal

Anneka Richmond
Head Girl

"Can't keep my eyes from the circling skies
Tongue-tied and twisted just an earth-bound misfit, I."
Ladies thanks for everything...sissip-nothing fits in 100 words. Catherine thanks for drives & conversations. Katie: you know what. Thanks to:IB crew for pushing, jocks for keeping me sane, the brains for showing me intelligent life, teachers for keeping me in line, prefects for all, and the girls in the Wood for keeping me in high spirits. Elmwood has given me the opportunity to develop my character & experience more than I could ask for. I'm forever grateful. Elmwood rocks my green socks. !!> R@tl-/3r $e Fly!nG

Jessica Roach

First of all I'd like to thank my mom and dad for helping me through school and always bei there for me. Emma – All the memories, warped tour (taking back Sunday), my cottage, the signs, snowboarding off my roo and so much more. Jaz – Who forget the treadmill, or the ram last year or me attempting to g in your backyard and of course there was French class. Nicki – Never throw another ice tea at someone who has their arm in sling again! Mario – BHS carri on, a nice reunion of BHS, and of our classes together, oh the times. Alex – I'm so sorry about the chair in bio, completely didn't m to do that at all. Everyone in music class, all the good times. I'll neve forget that class, Mello Yellow. Gummy bears live and card games li on forever!

Emma Roberts

Thank you Mom and Dad for giving me the opportunity to come here, as much as I resisted it. It paid off. Thank you to the girls that made the last two years possible. AN, CG, SR, JP To GB&AB thanks for all the fun times at Cosmo's, your house, and to making these two years fly by. Jill thanks for all the fun spares, shopping and eating, and thanks for getting me a job, and to my parking tickets!!! To my girls EL,SR,CS thanks for supporting me and to all my boys who made my situation not so bad. Sacha I love you and good luck. Good luck in the future everyone. Love Emma

Samira Salari

The 4 most important years of my were at Elmwood. Of course, it has uphill but I admit I never thought I enjoy going uphill this much. I hav accomplished so much during the 4 years. Meeting the greatest people was the best part though! Model U Quebec City, Halifax, Rugby, Egypt Improv, the best team ever, cutesy auditorium, Orchestra, Ensemble, International Night, IB, undefined, (...), Duke of Ed, Mount Washingto chemistry, Keats, Prufrock, overtone Heart of Darkness, Robotics, and S Bob Square Pants are only and ON SOME of the highlights of these 4 AMAZING years. I shall remember always with love and joy. Nicki I d know who else I would copy if I do copy you. Katja you're my Super German HERO. KATMIRA 4 EVA. C good luck, I'll see you at the gate! Heather, you...Rhiannon, remembe that spark? Claire thanks for all th tutoring. Neha I'll miss you. Anais invite me to your country. Catherine you've got the greatest giggle and hug. Li miss you always. AND above all my two wonderful SISIES, sahari + saman. To most wonderful parents ever: I Love you.

Katja Scholz

"A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step." - *Confucius*
My first step led me through challenging territory, full of wonderful experiences and it prepared me well for the ones to come.
I would like to thank my parents for supporting me along the way, my sister for always finding the comic relief in every situation, my teachers for challenges they set and my friends for accompanying me along the way.
Samira, you're my super Persian HERO!!! (KATMIRA) Model UN... ther and Rhiannon for making every Calc. class special... Neha and re for those wonderful "intellectual" conversations in robotics. nne – Hug forever. To everyone else, good luck next year.

Nicole Sleeth
Prefect of Admissions

"One of the things Ford Prefect had always found hardest to understand about humans was their habit of continually stating and repeating the very very obvious, as in *It's a nice day*, or *You're very tall*, or *Oh dear you seem to have fallen down a thirty-foot well, are you all right?*" - Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy

At the risk of sounding very human, I've had an amazing 7 years here.

Thanks to all those who have helped make them so wonderful.

ine Sultan

Wow, girls we made it! It's been a great 4 years with you guys. I'd just like to say thanks to my mom and dad without whom I would never have become the person I am today. Thanks Amira for always being able to make me laugh. Nora I love you and you'll do great! I remember grade 9 wondering how I would be like when I graduated, and I'm happy to say, that I am happy with the results. I've changed a lot over my four years at Elmwood and so have my friends. I'd just like to say thanks and I luv ya to all the girls that have been there, who have made me laugh when I really needed to and I know you guys will all go very far in life. Never forget Canada Day '02 and '03, Halloween 02 and 03, paintballing, chillin by the river, depanneur runs, Chrissy's room, the times in the woods, missions and b-day parties thanks for all the guys! Keep it real. Much Love – jazzy j

Anjali Tejuja

My high school career has finally come to an end and the excitement of university is just around the corner. As I look back on it all, I will always remember the people who supported me along the way. Mom and Dad – you have always had faith in me, encouraged me to achieve my full potential and supported and guided me throughout this journey. The values and beliefs you have established have helped shape the person I am today – a person that I am very proud to be. Thank you. Manisha – what would I do without you? You're not only my big sister, but also my best friend. You have supported me and given me advice and encouragement – thank you for everything. You've made university sound so fun – I can't wait! To all my teachers, you have all been wonderful; especially Mrs. Brown – you always have a smile on your face and are willing to help. Mrs. McGregor, you have been instrumental in making my years at Elmwood so memorable – thank you for all your support and assistance. To the graduating class of 2004, we've made it! Congratulations and I wish you well in your future endeavours.

Jessica Tien

No more leg numbing assemblies sitting on the gym floor. No more sweaty hunter green knee socks that are over worn and filled with holes. No more dressing up in blue and cheering till my throat's dry. No more last minute locker decorating when it is someone's birthday. No more hunts for blazers and ties on Monday mornings. No more "knocking on Mr. Dube's door." No more going to class with all the people I know and love, and being taught by teachers who truly care for us. No more going to a school that seems like a second home to me.

Mary-Jane Tingley
Head of Fry

"I can do all things through Chri who strengthens me." Philippian 4:13

Mom and Dad, I am forever grateful. Thank you for what yo have given me.
My friends, I will always love y
Mrs. Faguy, thank you for helpi my lion roar.
Bev, spread your wings and fly

"And for us this is the end of all stories, and we can most truly s that they all lived happily ever after. But for them it was only t beginning of the real story. All their life in this world and all their adventures in Narnia had only been a cover and the title page: now at last they were beginning Chapter One of the Great Story which no one earth has read: which goes on forever: in which every chapter is better than the one before."
-C.S Lewis, *The Last Battle*

Claire van Koughnett

"Education is the silver bullet. Education is everything. We don't need little changes. We need gigantic revolutionary changes. Schools should be palaces. Competition for the best teachers should be fierce. They should be getting six-figure salaries. Schools should be incredibly expensive for government and absolutely free of charge for its citizens, just like national defense. That is my position. I just haven't figured out how to do it yet." I realize that I ought to praise the institution I have been attending for the past six years, thus making me a suck-up like everyone else, rather than demand colossal changes, but hey, it's a quote from my favourite character on my favourite TV show (SS from TWW). Just to be normal, thanks.

Alison Westington

I finally made it! It feels good but I have to say tha spending an extra year in "the wood" was the best decision of my life. I have made many lifelong friendships and had man incredible experiences. The memories will last forever. To my friends: guys I love you all so much. How can ever thank you for helpin me through the ups and downs. To my parents: thank you for pushing me through. I don't think I could have done it without you. To Jon: baby, you are my heart and soul. I love you so much.

Catherine Wilson

Wow. I can't believe I'm actually leaving Elmwood. It's been my home for the past 6 years, as well as a huge source of knowledge; not only the classes, but the people it has allowed me to meet. I'll never forget the friendships and acquaintances this place has given me. They've taught me more than I could have imagined about myself and the kind of person I want to be. Anneka: Thank you so much for everything. Staff: your continuous support and encouragement have allowed me to do so many things that I would never otherwise have tried (GBY!!), so thank you for that. Liz: I hope you love your time here as much as I have mine. Claire, Kayli, Dix, Heather, Ali, Vicky and Lo: All you mean so much to me, and have taught me something, and I'm very grateful. Everyone else: I love all of you, and wish you good luck in the future (not that any of you will need it ;)). I'm going to miss you.

Aleana Young
Student Council President

Words fail to explain what Elmwood's meant to me and what it has done for me.I've spent the last six years of my life here,and while they've been tumultuous and often chaotic, Elmwood's been a constant for me.Thanks and love to Dr.Kirby, Mr.Main, Mr.McCabe,my phenomenal teachers who've helped and inspired me. Thanks for letting me become such a contrarian,my family for loving me and letting me fly. Ladies: I love you so much that I could burst.-You make my life joyful. Classmates: Change the world for the better. I trust you to save it. Everyone-in-Kingsmere,boys-parents-nudiststheK5(K-A-R-T)-youaremy-Spark,myFlame,myEmber. Everyone else,snowcrew-BC-Trembs,those I've forgotten, I-love-you-so. Is tomorrow just a day? Don't try and stop me. Love,Hope,Art,Vision~Aleana.

Academics

Head of School

Mrs. Helen Hirsh Spence

Although my tenure as your new Head has been brief (a mere seven months), I already feel as though I belong to this great school. And as you well know, Elmwood is indeed a great school; in part due to its amazing history; in part due to the dedication of the staff; but mostly because of you, its students.

Over the course of these months I have seen how you challenge yourselves to greatness, and how you meet disappointment with grace and dignity. I have witnessed even the youngest among you reach out to embrace one another in times of sadness and sorrow, be it from a fall off the climber in the playground, or from the frustration of not making the volleyball team, again! I have witnessed first hand in Peru how you extend yourselves both physically and mentally, battling fatigue, altitude sickness and horrendous weather conditions as we collectively climbed the height of the Andes and then descended into the valley of Machu Picchu. I watched you win and lose soccer, rugby, volleyball and basketball games... but always with a smile. I observed artistic, musical and theatrical talent as you performed Joan of Arc, sang in the choir on Parliament Hill, and displayed your works of art throughout the schools and at Auction. And above all, I have seen the spirit of Elmwood in each of you.

For those of you graduating, I regret that we didn't have more time together. I wish you success, happiness and wonderful health in the years to come. Please come back often to visit. For those of you returning in the fall, enjoy a happy and safe summer holiday. Return refreshed and ready to meet next year's challenges!

Director of Curriculun

Mrs. L. McGregc

On a shelf in my home are twenty-one copies of Samara- beginning in 19 The first one has a drawing on the cover of the first computer purchased for the school, a Commodore Pet and Samara mentions the introduction of the first compu course. I am pictured with my first homeroom-Grade 7- and look as if I am wearir a blouse with a tied bow at the neck. Elmwood has classes beginning with a combined Grade 2/3 with Mrs. Gerspacher and ending with Grade 13. Up to the end o Grade 8 the uniform is a green tunic and from Grade 9 on a green and white tart kilt.

When I went to get that particular Samara to take a look at it, I found I v leafing through the pages and enjoying so many memories of that first year. This Samara will be exactly the same, preserving so much of 2003-04 for all of us to en over the coming years. From the moment the first copy is ready Samara becomes c very important part of Elmwood's history. Thanks to all of those worked and contributed in so many ways to this edition. I treasure all twenty-one copies I now have and hope that number twenty-two finds its way to St. Margaret's in Victoria. Good bye, best wishes and remember I am only an email away.

V.P. Juniour Schoo

Mrs. C. Schmic

Dear Junior School Students,

As we reflect on the passing year, one can't help but be struck by the amount of change that has occurred. From the beginning of September right through to June not has stayed the same. The children have all grown, the IBO Primary Years Programme has changed the way children have learned and teachers have taught. There is mor awareness amongst our young "star travellers" of the world around them and the needs of others. Everyone has pulled together to achieve small goals which in time, will become bigger goals.

To aid the young travellers in their pursuit of knowledge they have visited many museums around the city, learned about farm life at Saunders and Valleyview Farm visited MacSkimming and Upper Canada Village. The IMAX theatre provided films that were not only enjoyable to watch, but also enlightening. Some students enjoyed a back to Medieval Times in Toronto while others flew to sunny Mexico in the dead of winter.

Over the year we have run for fun and toe tokens, swam in and out of synchronization, balanced, tumbled, flew across the soccer field, or down a snowy hill. When we couldn't do that we glided across the frozen water. Clubs abounded to provide fun as we tickled the brain cells. Authors, musicians, artists, puppeteers, and the "reptile mc visited us. Even Santa Claus made a brief stopover! We partied at Hallowe'en, acted sporty on Sports Days, clowned around on Carnival Day, performed plays, sang song chimed too!

Always helpful, caring and sharing, the students and parents baked, frosted and "sprinkled" for Breast Cancer research, CHEO, the rainforest, snow leopards and the Toronto Zoo. They donated bags and bags of clothing and shoes, and boxes of food. Everyone tried to "lend a hand."

Thank you to all who have helped in this journey, as well as to the people who put so much time and effort into producing this wonderful book. Special thanks to our Ju School Prefect, Rhiannon Derbyshire, who assisted us throughout the year in many of our activities, and to members of the Student Council. In this my final "write up," I you with this little poem.....it is meant especially for all of you who are reaching for your special star.

Create a dream and hold it high,
Always look upward, for in the sky
You'll see the stars, a path you'll spy,
So sprout strong wings and learn to fly.
There will be detours, a bump or hole,
But keep on trying to meet your goal,
You may need support to lend you a ha
Just remember we're beside you,
that's Elmwood's brand!

.P. Middle School

Ms. E. Milligan

oking back over this year at Elmwood, it is impossible to ignore the many achievements of our Middle School. From fundraisers to socials, to extracurricular activities, ear has been a triumph. In talking with Ms. Milligan, principal of Elmwood's middle school, her many qualities which have contributed to it's success became us. She is dynamic, energetic, and has a genuine interest in guiding the development of the students. Her philosophy in life is to, "Never be afraid to risk failure. In failure there is opportunity to learn and grow, thus becoming a better human being."

Ms. Milligan believes in that helping their community is a good way for students to discover themselves. The Middle School worked hard to promote diabetes awareness o raise money for Camp Banting, a retreat for diabetic children. Elmwood's Middle School raised money to support the breakfast program at York school. Through erous socials, enough money was raised to sponsor a family through the Shepherds of Good Hope, which helps support underprivileged families at Christmas time. also raised money for UNICEF, and for the Classics Club. "It was great to see the girls collaborating, and acting as mentors for each other to make a difference" she

n addition to community service, Ms. Milligan is very proud of the many leadership and extracurricular opportunities she worked to establish this year. In December, Milligan organized a "stock market day" for the students. Two consultants came to the school to educate the teachers about the working of stock markets, who then nized a stock market simulation for the Middle School. What's more, Milligan has been able to bring Dr. Joanne Deak, an expert on the different learning styles of girls boys to speak at Elmwood. She also developed important leadership opportunities for the students. Instead of working with a small group of Middle School prefects, ear, Ms. Milligan and Ali Duret met with a grade 8 homeroom once a month to discuss proposed middle school projects, whether they were socials, fundraisers, or ities. Since there were 3 grade 8 homerooms, each homeroom got to lead the Middle School for one term. Ms. Milligan stresses the importance of leadership experience a young age "I love to see strong, powerful girls. It is important for me to work with them to help them develop a strong sense of themselves, and of the world. ership skills are invaluable for them to make a difference."

Ms. Milligan looks back on her time at Elmwood with contentment. "I am very proud of the accomplishments of the students and teachers as they work together both emically, and to give back to the community. I am also very satisfied with my personal experiences at Elmwood. I have had the opportunity of working with fantastic dedicated teachers and staff. I was able to collaborate in the creation of the Middle School with the best administrative staff and educators one could hope to work ." Elmwood would like to extend it's very best wishes to Ms. Milligan in all her future endeavours. Laura Thurlow

.P. School Life

Mrs. C. Bates

reparing to write this article, I reviewed my Samara articles of the past two years and they brought back so many lasting memories that I will cherish forever. The school , 2003-2004, was no different in terms of producing wonderful experiences to be long remembered.

Grade 9 Orientation, led by the Prefects and Grade 12s followed a new format with the older girls emphasizing the development of leadership skills with their younger wood sisters.

Senior student trips this year included the Cuba trip, the March Break family trip to Egypt, the March Break community service trip to Peru and the French exchange. these trips were overwhelming successes. Every Elmwood girl should take part in an overseas trip at some point during her time at the School.

The Duke of Edinburgh program was another Elmwood success story. Most of our Grade 9s received their Bronze award and many girls are completing the requirements the Silver and Gold levels. The "Duke of Ed" is one of the unique programs at Elmwood that sets our school apart as a leader in girls' education.

Elmwood has continued to develop, mature and excel on the sports scene. The Elmwood Varsity basketball team had a great season, advancing to the semi-finals in "AA". Junior volleyball team had an extraordinary season, going all the way to the East Finals where they missed being champions by the narrowest possible margin. Currently, Varsity soccer team has advanced to the finals of their Division and team members are busily juggling exams as well as soccer balls in order to succeed in both! Outstanding lts were attained this year in golf, swimming, water polo, Alpine skiing, rugby (where Elmwood also advanced to the finals), badminton, and rowing.

Clubs at Elmwood continued to flourish this year. Our Robotics team achieved excellent results at the competition held in Oakville, holding their own against teams from ver North America. The Classics Club outdid itself with a record number of awards at their Brock University conference. The Harry Potter and Media Clubs were new this r and attracted an impressive array of students.

Student leadership was in evidence from our remarkable group of Grade 12 Prefects led by Head Girl, Anneka Richmond, and Senior Prefect, Ali Duret. All the Prefects t the School lively and focused on both *school spirit* which involves fun activities and *the spirit of school* which involves fund-raising for many worthy causes, including landmines on, warm clothing and food drive, 30-Hour Famine, Canadian Guide Dogs, Interval House, the Elizabeth Fry Society, breast cancer research and many more. The Elmwood m in the Run for the Cure placed first out of more than 50 schools by raising over $6000.

Student Council, led by Aleana Young, was incredibly busy with a number of projects, including a superb student newspaper, *The Tartan Tattler*, edited by Sarah ow-Charbonneau. Peer Helpers and Student Ambassadors were two other groups that provided Elmwood students with opportunities to showcase their leadership skills.

The Arts programs were truly alive and well this year. The Clay and Art Clubs provided students with the opportunity to show off their creativity, while the band, chestra and instrumental ensembles entertained with their musical prowess. Our Senior Choir was amazing, capturing honours at the Kiwanis Festival. *The Lark*, directed Mrs. Boychuk, was one of the most moving and powerful productions any school has ever mounted.

For every activity and event to which I have referred, I have undoubtedly left out three or four others. That is how busy and exciting a place Elmwood School is! Being Vice-Principal of the Senior School responsible for School Life has been an exceptionally rewarding experience that will stay with me for many years to come.

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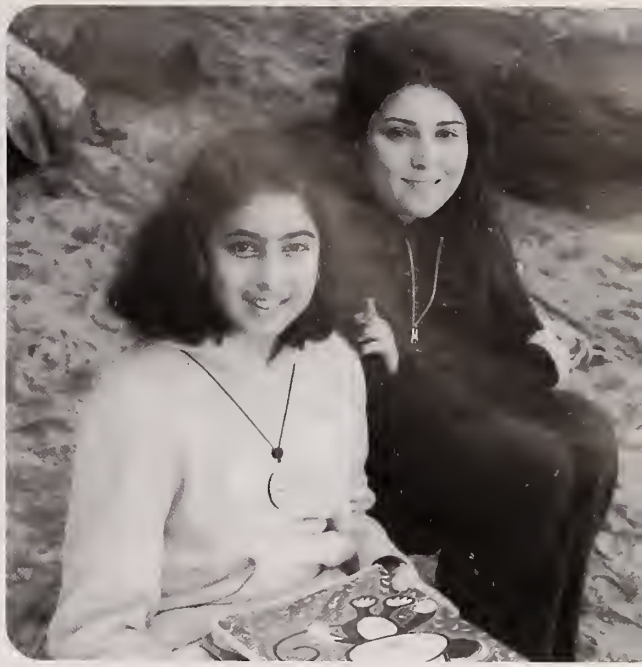

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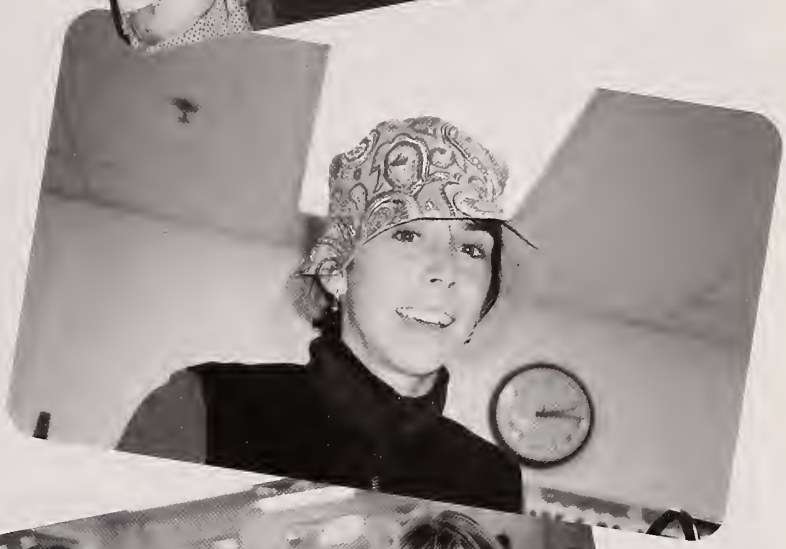

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Student Council

Aleana Young
President

This year's student council is much different from last years. We are a smaller group, and we have an Executive Council. This year we worked on the Vintage Dress and Accessories Extravaganza which raised money to support an all girl's school in Afghanistan. We have also organized Oscar Night, and several smaller social events such as Karaoke Night and Movie Night.

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Katie Crysdale
Prefect at Large

You start off the year with so many ideas and so many plans, and before you know it, May is here, you are counting the weeks to graduation, and in essence the year is already gone in a fl

I was honoured this year to have become a small part of the long Elmwood traditio by undertaking the responsibility of Prefect-at-Large. I was particularly happy to be in this specific position because the role is a little less defined than that of a House Head or the Middle School Prefect.

I oversaw the ever evolving Students Council at Elmwood, started originally by last year's Prefect-at-Large, Julia Doran; some admirable initiatives were undertaken this year, and sincerely look forward to seeing what the upcoming years have in store for this leadership gro

Outside this assignment, the position of Prefect-at-Large allows you the opportunity set your own goals and objectives because the job is really what you make of it. When that is said and done, there is always a house day or sports afternoon in need of help, and being par Fry, Keller, Nightingale, and Wilson all at once means you really have got a foot in all walks life at Elmwood!

Under the guidance of our truly inspiring head girl, Anneka, the group of Prefects t year was dedicated, hard working, and a thousand words more that cannot fit into this small space. American businesswoman Elaine Agather once said, "The leadership instinct you were born with is the backbone. You develop the funny bone and the wishbone that go with it." I th that about sums up this year's group of Prefects and the growth we have undergone together.

Good luck to whomever is lucky enough to be elected to the position of Prefect-at-Lar for next year; it may not be one of the most well known positions, but it is truly a jewel of a j

Student Newspaper

In it's first official year, the Tartan Tattler really took off with a blast of strong energy. I can truly say that we were very lucky to have such a wonderful group of girls working on this newspaper. This group really represented the student body as a whole! The quality of their work exceeded all of our expectations. Thank you to all the supporting staff, for their countless hours helping me edit, and a huge thank you and congratulations to all the girls

Student Ambassadors

This year the Elmwood School Ambassadors were a newly formed team of students, enthusiastic to share their love of the school with others. The school ambassadors were busy this year with two Open Houses, giving parents school tours, and providing them with a student's point of view. The ambassadors also take pride in showing potential new students around on their shadow day, giving them a taste for Elmwood life.

Nicole Sleeth
Prefect Student Ambassadors

This was the first year to implement a Senior School Ambassador program headed by an Admissions Prefect. The purpose of the program was to facilitate student and new parent visits to the school. Although all ambassadors were involved with touring at Open Houses, new student visits were mostly to Grades Six and Nine.

Each morning as Admissions Prefect, I greeted student visitors and their families and guided new students to their Shadow Day Guides and homerooms for the day. It helped to put the visiting students at ease, who were sometimes a little bit nervous but generally excited. I also attended Open Houses at Junior, Middle and Senior School, which ran smoothly and had many ambassadors volunteering to help.

Feedback about the student ambassador program has been positive. New students and their families seem to appreciate the honest, respectful and enthusiastic conversations with Elmwood student ambassadors. They certainly needed us to guide them through the twists and turns of the second floor at Senior School Open Houses!

Next year we plan to make the program even better by creating a more formal selection process for ambassadors and expanding their leadership responsibilities within the Admissions function.

Yearbook

We were there the time you made your first goal. We captured your surprise and your coaches affirming nod thats said, "I knew you could do it." We were there the time in assembly when you announced how much money was raised for a worthy cause, humbly downplaying the hours of work you put into it to make it happen. We were there the time you returned from a competition amazing us all with your winning presentations not mentioning all the Friday nights, Saturdays and Sundays you gave up for your accomplishments. We were there the time you tried to hide your disappointment because you felt you let the team down forgetting how far you had come. We were there the time you read your poem and we watched the paper tremble while you read with such passion. We were there when you were serious or silly, or generous, or nervous, or brave. We were there when you performed, or built, or drew or traveled. At Samara we are privileged to have captured a few of those moments. We hope that you will return to those times again and again.

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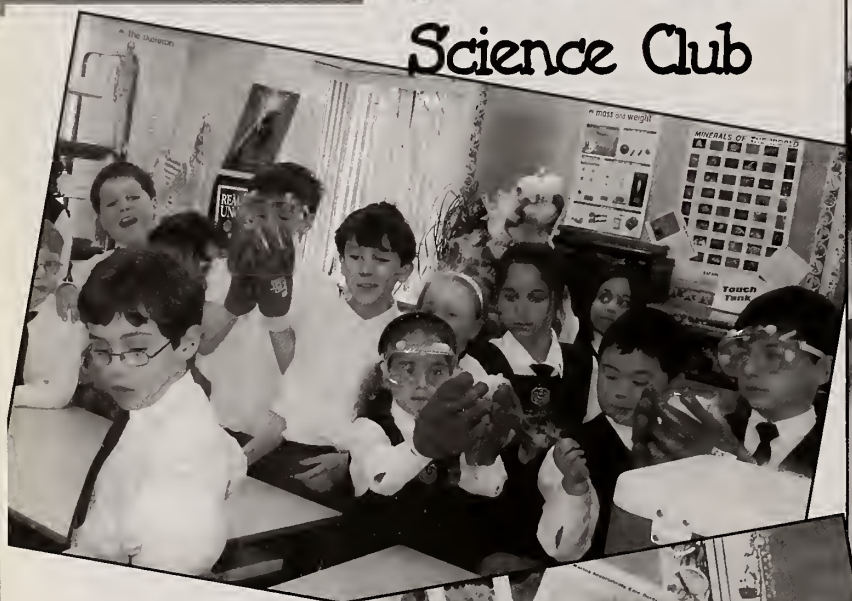
Juntior School Science Club



.S. Touch Football

From the time of the tryouts to the tournament of the season, all the girls on the team showed effort and spirit through every minute. Unfotunately, the team was cut down to a smaller number but everyone who participated in the tryouts showed great dedication to football. When the team was put together, we worked hard practicing for the qualifying tournament that would lead us to thte next round. We all got to know each other quickly and understood the plays quite well. On the day of the tournament our team rode around in a bus going to two fields, our team being the only one in both places. Figuring we wouldn't play ourselves, we tried once more to find the school. Our third time was a charm. Luckily we made it just in time and ended up winning the game. Sadly we didn't win enough games in the tournament to make the finals. We played three games; winning one and losing two. It just wasn't enough to advance but we were all proud of each other and the team. That tournament concluded our season and though it was short it was definitely enjoyed. Special thanks goes out to Mr. Yates and Ms. Whitfield for putting up with us and coaching us to be the great team we became representing Elmwood.

Olivia Scott and Megan Halliwushka

ntior School Gardening Club

Environmental Club

The Jr. School environment club is run by Ms. Ostiguy and Mr. Adams. We meet once a week to talk about what we can do about environmental problems. We have been learning about different issues and ways we can live more lightly on the earth. We decided to take action, so we called a gentleman named Mr. Haywood and ordered some recycling bins for glass, cans, and plastic for our dining room. We also ordered some blue paper recycling bins for the "big" school!

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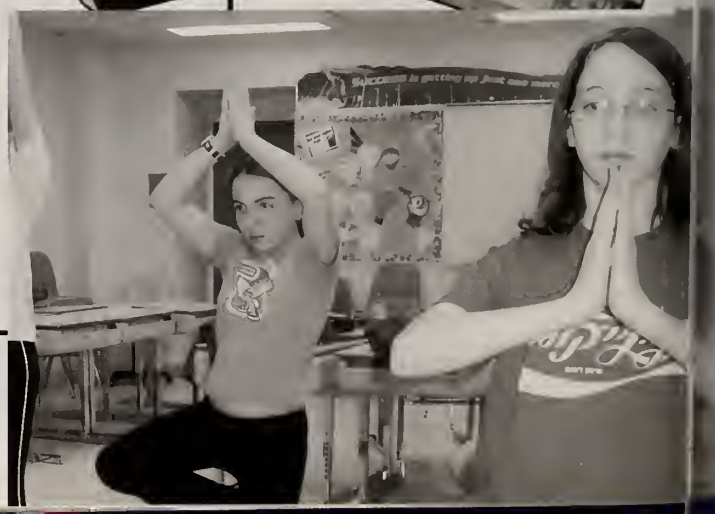
Yoga

Through the practice of yoga the girls are learning methods of gaining control over their thoughts and actions, appreciating the calmness of being in the moment , importance of breath, and feeling a sense of balance and well being. We focus on the breath as we move the body through a series of postures to open up, to elevate our energy, to build body awarness and to unite the body and mind. Yoga is a life long journey. I hope to help the girls incorporate this into their everyday lives.
Team Members: Elly Smallwood, Margaret Seaborn, Alex Horan, Laura Haebe, Leanne Sharzer



Clay Club 4, 5

This club ran for the first seven weeks of term one. The students created hand built pieces which were fired and then glazed. There was good participation and fun was had by all.

Clay Club 6-8

During term two, grades six, seven and eight met once a week to work on a clay piece of their choice. The projects were very imaginative and the grade eight students even got to experiment with the potter's wheel which they enjoyed very much.

"Stepping" Club

"Stepping" is a vibrant combination of traditional African rhythms and modern dance for which the body is the sole instrument. The students will explore dynamic rhythmic patterns and challenging dance routines in a collaborative setting.

Grade 7a Basketball

The grade 7A basketball team took part in two tournaments. We did very well in our Glashan tournament. We won two games and only lost one. The most exciting game we participated in was against Glashan. We were tied for a very long time throughout the game, but then at the last minute, Sarah Coyne got a basket to win the game for us. This put us in first place in our pool. We had to play Maple Ridge to determine who would go on. Unfortunately we lost that game and were unable to continue. However, our games were very exciting and we all played our best. Every player on our team deserved first place.
Laurie Biewald

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Basketball

Varsity Basketball

For the first time in Eagle basketball history it was decided that we would have a varsity team. Coached by Bob Butler, the team practiced hard all through the month of September to prepare for a long and fun-filled season. Our season consisted of many exciting finishes where we won 6 of the 10 games and finished 4th in our conference. We went on to play in the "AA" semi-finals where, despite leading for most of the game, we lost by 3 points. The team also participated in 4 tournaments. The first was one of the largest in the city, the Charlie Diffin Referee tournament. This tournament saw the Elmwood Eagles rise to the occasion and finish 1st in the consolation finals. The second, held at our school, was the Elmwood Invitational. This tournament was hard fought but a 1 point victory put us in the finals where we came out strong and won a gold medal. The team also traveled to Napanee to play against teams that we had never played. We had a great time bonding over Avril Lavigne and pizza. We also traveled to Brockville for a one-day tournament. Many thanks to team manager and stats keeper Cabrey Grey for her support and encouragement, and Catherine Wilson for traveling to every single one of our games no matter where it was played. The future of Eagles basketball looks bright! Good luck girls!!! - Ali Duret

Grade 7b Basketball

As you know, this year was a little different in terms of basketball at the middle school level. Once the grade 7A team was selected, a group of girls who had not been chosen to be on the team, including myself, decided that we would still enjoy playing basketball even if we weren't on the number one team. Once I noticed that we did have somewhat of a large group of girls, I went to Ms. Bates to ask if we could possibly form a 'B' team. We began practicing at 7am most mornings. We had our first game against the Glashan B team where we tied 18 – 18, which was very good considering it was our first game and about Glashan's fourth one. On April 30th we had a tournament at Glashan, where we played three consecutive games against York, Moonie, and Glashan itself. Our record was 0-1-2. We entered our 4th and final game for the consolation final. Even though we were tired out, we played our best game of the tournament. We ended up losing the game 20 – 15, but we still felt like we had accomplished something. I'd like to thank all the players for coming out to those early morning practices, which I know weren't easy, and for always being willing to try even when the score was looking a little on the grim side. And lastly, I'd like to give my thanks to Ms. Bates. Without you, we would never have had this wonderful experience. This team has made my year here at Elmwood so much more enjoyable.
7B Captain Maggie Cogger-Orr

Grade 8 Basketball

The grade 8 basketball season was nothing short of successful. Our hard work and dedication showed through every game, tournament and...most practices. The 7am practices were sure to drag out some yawns, especially the ones on Monday mornings. They were probably one of the most challenging parts of the season. During the try outs many grade 7s came out, along with a few grade 8s. People weren't sure if two separate teams were going to be made for each grade. In fact three teams were made, two for the grade 7s and one team for the grade 8s. The beginning of the grade 8 basketball season was extremely victorious. Our team was undefeated for about the first seven matches. It was when we encountered Emily Carr that the bumpy road started. The first game against them we lost by around fifteen points. Amazingly the next day at the beginning of our first tournament, we lost by one basket only! It didn't matter because win or lose we were going to advance. Unfortunately when we played Henry Munroe we lost by seven points. Yet, we were down by approximately twenty points in the last five minutes and caught up tremendously. A special thanks goes to Mr. Butler and Mrs. Bates for their hard work. We couldn't have done it without their coaching and planning. All in all you couldn't have asked for a better season. Through our sweat and confidence we gave our best and we couldn't ask for more. - Olivia Scott

Grade 4 & 5 Christmas Performance

This year, the grades four and fives had the opportunity to sing at the 2003 Christmas concert. After lots of practicing and preparations they gave a flawless production.

03-04 Choirs

Senior Choir

The senior choir is a group of18 girls from grades 9-12 who met once a week every Wednesday morning to rehearse. The repertoire ranged from Renaissance to contemporary music. Performances at the school included the Remembrance Day Ceremony, Holiday Concert, and Spring Music Night. The choir also performed for the general Ottawa community, at venues such as the New Edinburgh Retirement Home and the Rideau Club. This December, the choir took part in the Magic of Christmas show at Centrepointe Theatre. In addition, the choir competed at the Kiwanis Music Festival in May. The girls are extremely lucky to have Mr. Robert Palmai as their director. He is not only very knowledgeable and experienced, but passionate about music and group spirit. He also brought fresh fruit to share at rehearsals...

Middle School Choir

The Elmwood Middle School Choir is a dedicated group of grade 6, 7 and 8 students who meet every Tuesday after school. These girls have a lot of fun singing everything from classical to folk music to jazz. They are also upholding Elmwood's tradition of choral excellence with their consistently outstanding marks at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Recorder Ensemble

he Recorder Ensemble was for Junior School players who have nastered the basics and wanted to play more challenging music nan in class. We now have 14 girls in the group, and they all lay at least one recorder in addition to the soprano (for exam- le alto, tenor or bass). The girls performed at the Christmas oncert at Elmwood and also at Rideau Place Retirement Home nd are looking forward to several performances n the Spring.

Chime Choir

Chime Choir was made up of 12 dedicated students o practiced every week throughout the school year. ying hand chimes is not as easy as it looks - each mber was usually assigned two or more notes and to play them at the appropriate times; this required ful counting and following the Director. The high- ts of the year were the performances at the Holiday ert in December and the Closing Ceremonies in e

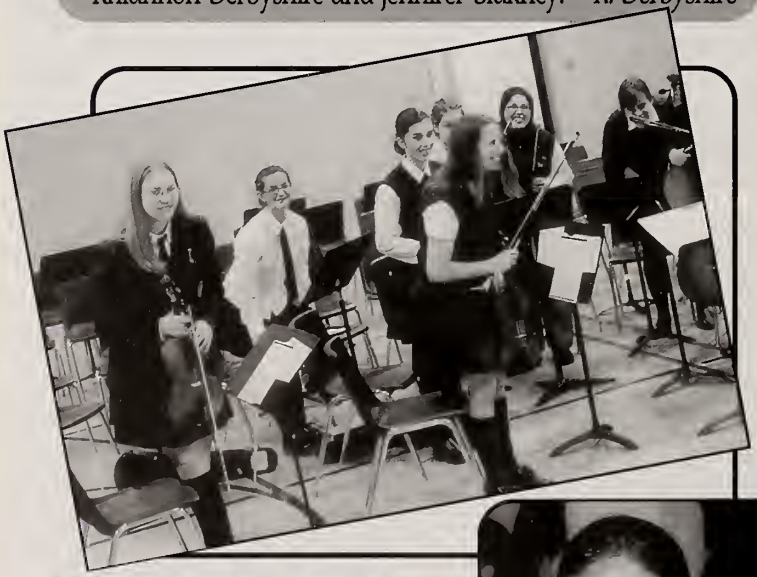
Senior Orchestra

This year the Sr. Orchestra had a successful season. Through our many practices and events, the students performed with enthusiasm and joy. As the year progressed we had many opportunities to perform, especially at the Holiday and Spring concerts. We would like to thank everyone for their commitment, especially our conductor Mr. Rudisuela. This year was terrific and we look forward to next year. The members of the band were: Maya Campara, Rosemary Tross, Marielle McGovern, Monique Larson, Chrissy Amundsen, Samira Salari, Heather Armstrong, Alix Dudley, Rhiannon Derbyshire, Kaylyn Fraser, Ayesha Basi.

03-04 Strings and Bands

String Ensemble

This year's Sr. String Ensemble was a small but dedicated group of musicians who met early on Thursday mornings. Performances at the Holiday Cheer, Holiday and Spring concerts as well as various other venues were a great success. The group is grateful for Mr. Rudisuela's energy and guidance in all our endeavours. The members of the ensemble were: Heather Armstrong, Chrissy Amundsen, Samira Salari, Rhiannon Derbyshire and Jennifer Blakney. *-R. Derbyshire*



Honour Band

Honour band is a band for students who want to play more challenging music than they have a chance to in regular band. The conductor, Ms. Holt, is truly dedicated to the band and meets with us twice in a 6 day cycle during lunch throughout the whole year to practice for an upcoming concert or competition. If anybody is interested, I encourage you to join the band for great and lasting musical experiences!

Jazz Band

Jazz band was a band made up of a drum section, a piano, a cello and wind instruments ranging from saxophones to trumpets and clarinets. We met once in a six day cycle (day 1) and the band continued to meet throughout the year. We played all sorts of jazzy tunes that I found really makes music come alive. We learned pieces of music we would never have had the chance to learn in band class. Our wonderful conductor, Ms. Holt, is truly dedicated to the band and encourages us to always do our best, whether it is in the music room or out on stage! The members of the band were:

Sr. Badminton

This year the junior badminton team, consisting of Christine Johnston as a singles player and Sarah Buchan and Erica Hoe as the doubles team entered the East Ottawa tournament with just three weeks of practices. Both teams came in second and qualified for the finals! In the finals, Christine played three great sets, but was unfortunately defeated by two girls who ended up placing in the top three. Christine however placed an amazing fourth. Sarah and Erica won all of their sets and made it to the finals, where unfortunately they lost. Since they had already beaten that team, they played a third set. Both teams won one game, and in the third game, Sarah and Erica lost to Lisgar, but came in second place. Although it was a quick season, it was full of fun, intense competition and improvement. Many thanks go out to Mr. Grenier who coached the team to its great finish.

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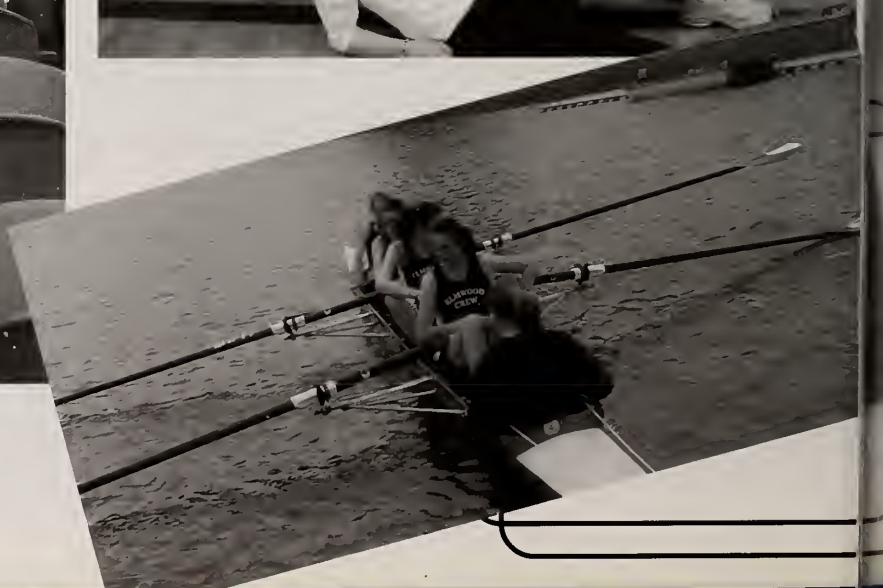
M.S. Badminton

Sr. Rowing



Middle School Athletics Council

The Middle School Athletics Council was a new leadership initiative for Elmwood. It was responsible for initiating, organizing, assisting and facilitating recreational activities for the Middle School. Members of the council were involved in a 4 hour leadership training clinic and enjoyed a delicious lunch. Every day 5 members of the council spent Middle School lunch together planning events for our Middle School. Next year we hope our council will once again organize more athletic events for our Middle School.
Charlotte and Sarah

I.S. Track

J.S. Cross Country Running

Peer Helpers

After a tumultuous year, the Peer Helpers have come out of 2004 stronger than ever. This year the students started a new program in which we offer guidance and help in the Middle School. Our developments in the 2003-04 school year expanded the Peer Helper program past guidance and leadership roles, but helping with conflict resolution and peer mediation. Along our accomplishments were the quotes of the day and a middle school leadership day in May. This year we're losing the last of our original peer helpers and our incredible staff support, Ms. Bates. All of our graduates will be greatly missed, but we look forward to a fresh new group of peer helpers.

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Prefects

11 dynamic students + Ms. Bates - the confliction of schedules + Mrs. Faguy – the attempt to control our imaginations + hundreds of ideas, thoughts and suggestions = An organized chaotic meeting occurring once a cycle.

The prefects of 2003/2004, with the help of Mrs. Bates and Mrs. Faguy, have had the pleasure of experiencing leadership within school. We have had an amazing year and thank you to all those who have supported, encouraged and provided fuel for our imaginations. This year has allowed us to be creative, develop leadership skills, and make a mark on the school. Responsible for organizing events such as Spirit days, Sports days, House days, Theme days, luncheons, Halloween, Christmas concert, fundraisers, traditions, announcements, guest speakers, Prefect Prayers – to name a few – the prefects have been hard at work all year. Bringing a diverse and motivated group of people together in a room truly is a unique experience. I am grateful for having the opportunity to work with such phenomenal girls, you have all been such fabulous leaders! Good luck to the prefects of 2004/2005, enjoy your final year. It goes by with tremendous speed!

Amnesty International

For the second year in a row, Elmwood's Amnesty International club has been meeting at lunch once a cycle to discuss current issues involving human rights. The club's focus is international, giving members a chance to write letters to prisoners of conscience and victims of unfair trials in hope of giving their cases attention. We involved the school on International Human Rights day by creating an interactive play in assembly to raise funds, and before going off on our Christmas holidays we had a Holiday Card campaign for prisoners and human rights defenders. We hope the New Year will bring more opportunities for us to stay active on the international stage.

Student Commonwealth Forum

oline Boyle, Morgen Smith, Katie Bifield and Kaylyn Fraser went to 32nd National Student Commonwealth Forum.

ngs we learnt at the Commonwealth:

eft over soup can be used as sauce on chicken

ou can survive on one hour of sleep per night

is possible to walk from one end of the city to the other

eople get violent when told that a piece of paper is worth 200 points

ou can swim in all rivers in Ottawa (according to a former mayor)

e now know where the embassy in front of the bus is.

t is impossible to get people to come to a consensus on anything worthwhile

e do have enough clothes to last a whole week...just.

nnoying people stick together

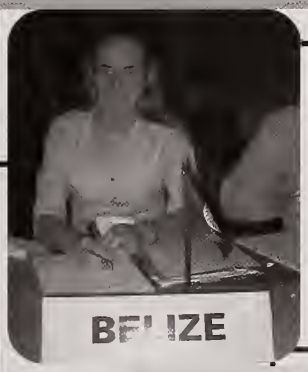
hen breaking your arm always say that you were saving a baby.

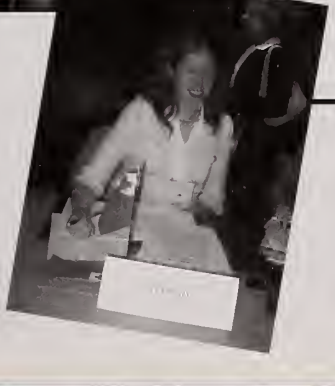
ou can speak in a British accent even if you've never been to Britain

t is possible to have an identical twin brother who is 4 years younger than you

HOGM no no's can be the most entertaining part of the week

nly a Newfoundlander can meet another Newfoundlander in Ottawa and find out that his brother is dating her next door neighbour.





Senior

The Senior Volleyball Team began their season shortly after the long-weekend in November. With numerous practices, we improved our skills in preparation for a difficult season. Our season was kicked off with a win against Lisgar before we all left for the Christmas holidays. Upon our return to school, we started up right where we had left off, with a win against Hillcrest. We continued to do well and we finished the regular season 5-5. Unfortunately our season was cut short by a loss in the quarterfinals to a team we had already played and beaten. To the captains, Anneka and Lo, you were awesome fillers with support and helpful tips. To Catherine, our wonderful manager, thank you for all your time in keeping our stats and for the encouragement as a fa Finally, to the coaches, Mrs. Neale and Ms. Whitfield, thank you for your continuing support and all of the fun. ~Ali Duret

03-04 Volleyball

Junior

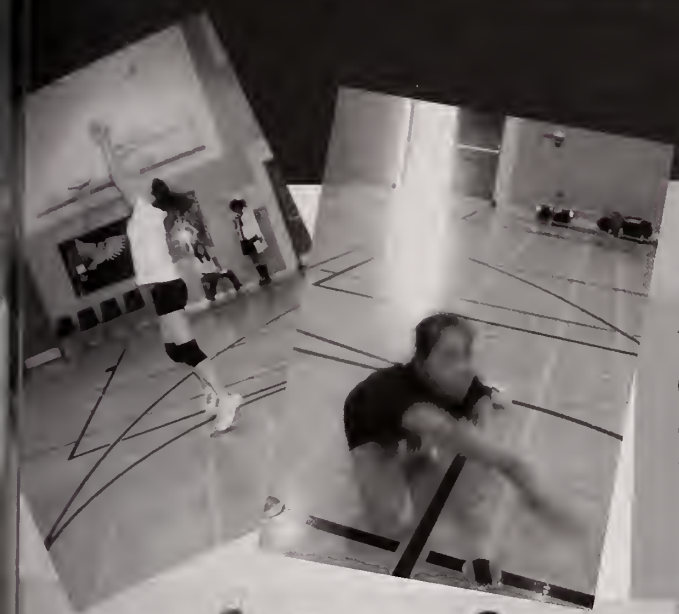
Starting in late December, volleyball took over the lives of twelve girls. For the likes of Alicia Kerrigan, Emily Mattiusi, Alex Pattee, Sarah Buchan, Anne Kirvan, Maura Furlong-MacInnis, Marna-Jean Brown, Iris E, Elizabeth Wilson, Courtney Smith, Kyla Weinman and myself, volleyball became an escape and a challenge for us to play volleyball to the best of our abilities. Our team went to five tournaments and had some success in all of them. We even defeated the Embrun Cyclones, who had been undefeated all season and had won 4 gold medals. I am sure it was the case for everyone, but for me, being a part of this team had been an unbelievable experience. With only a handful of practices throughout the season, we had enhanced our skills and teamwork and had risen to become one of the most feared teams in Ottawa volleyball. We finished the regular season with nine wins and one close loss. In addition, we won bronze, silver and gold medals at various tournaments. Our incredible season would not have happened had it not been for the incredible support, motivation and determination of our coach, Mrs. Depooter. Thank you for an unforgettable season. ~Karlye Wong

Midget

Congrats to the 9 grade nines who were part of Elmwood's midget volleyball team!! We practiced at lunch twice a cyc and had many (entertaining!) morning practices. Even if m of these girls had
never played volleyball before, we scrimmaged vs two scho and played in a tournament at AY Jackson. We went out a bang by beating St-Pat's 3-0 and scores as high as 25-11! Thanks to
Courtney, Liz and the other grade tens who helped out at practices, and Mrs Depooter for your guidance. Girls, you h amazing spirit and make me proud!!
Laure Pitfield (coach)

Eclipse

The Elmwood Eclipse volleyball team had a great season. Starting in September and going through to February, the team bonded, learned new skills and had a ton of fun! With the motivation of our coaches, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Coates and Mr. Ritchie, we were able to reach new heights. The annual Elmwood Invitational Tournament was definitely the climax of our season. In a nail-biting game against Les Volants-Bleu, the Eclipse team managed to place first. Thanks again to the coaches and GREAT SEASON GIRLS! ~Anneka Bakker and Karin McDowell



EaglesToo

The Eagles Too 7/8 volleyball team was an awesome group of enthusiastic girls with great skills. Even though at the start of our season some teammates were beginner volleyball players, by the end of our season, the Eagles Too team had improved all their skills and leaned to play as a great team. We played in various tournaments, including Glashan, Hopewell and Elmwood. We couldn't have been a super volleyball team without our amazing coaches, Ms. Bates and Mme. Coates. Thanks for a great season!
- ~Nikola Ruddy and Emily Baxter

Excel

The Grade 7 Excel team had a fantastic season. It started in November and ended in April. We participated in 6 tournaments, but our most memorable were at Pauline-Vanier and here at Elmwood. At the Elmwood tournament, we placed third in the "C" division. At Pauline-Vanier, we placed second in the "B" division. We hope to do well in our last tournament of the year. Throughout the season, each player improved tremendously. GOOD LUCK AT THE TOURNAMENT AND I HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT TRY OUTS NEXT YEAR! ~Anita E

Grade 6

The Grade 6 Volleyball team had an exciting and very successful season. With a mixture of two veterans and thirteen rookies, we met regularly in the Elmwood gymnasium at 7:00 a.m. to learn the fine points of bumping, volleying and serving. The high point of our season would have to be our silver medal victory at the Ottawa Carleton Board volleyball tournament held on Tuesday, January 20th at Laverendrye Public School. Congratulations to all the players and I look forward to watching you play next year!- C. Tweedie (Coach)

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Winter Sports

Hockey

Another great season gone by and I think I speak for all of us when I s this was the best one yet! For the last three years I have watched us gro not only as individual players, but as a team. Practice continues to be f with fun and excitement and even with the wide age range I know mar wonderful frienships have blossomed. As many of you know, we had another great game against teachers and staff, and we won! Thanks a to our dedicated fans who came and cheered us on. Unfortunately this i my last year at Elmwood and as manager of the hockey team. I will ne forget the many laughs and the wonderful experiences we have shared. wish you all the best of luck next year and for the years to come. I hop team will continue to grow and I will always be your biggest fan. Tha for the last three years being such a blast, and many thanks to our coc Mr. Grenier, as well as Mr. Campbell and Mr. Dube who took their ow time to help us out each week. - Ali Westington

Jr. School Skating Day

Ski Team

Every Friday night the Elmwood ski team bundled up and headed to Camp Fortune to train. Late in January the level 1 and 2 girls competed in their first race. This was just the preliminary race to help prepare for the regional races February 10th and 11th. Everyone braved the cold weather to race against schools from all over Ottawa. Nicky Lightstone was the only level 1, but she was able to do quite well on her own, and all the level 2 girls completed the giant slalom race with exceptional times. Later in February the novice girls got a chance to show their skills. The novice team was able to place 3rd overall in their GS race with Jessica Batt-Sheehan placing 2nd and Liz Maffett placing 7th. A special thanks to Ms. Jackson who volunteered to help coach the team. She kept us motivated during even the coldest nights. Hope to see you all next year on the slopes. –Jessica Venables

Friday Night Skiing

For approximately four evenings throughout the winter season, Elmwood girls of all ages participated in Friday Night Skiing up at Camp Fortune. Each night was another great night on the slopes, and the skiing conditions were great, despite some very cold temperatures. From Pino to Lower Canadian to Marshal, skiing and snowboarding was a blast for all. We all enjoyed fun times on the hills with our friends, as well as some time indoors, warming up with coffee and hot chocolate. A big thank you goes out to all the teachers who came up to the slopes with us, especially Ms. Hunter and Mme. Sabourin. Hope everyone enjoyed themselves this year! – Kaylyn Fraser and Karen Leung

Middle School Debating

"The Middle School Debating Club ran all year. During the year, the girls engaged in both parliamentary and cross-examination style debating. The girls learned how to structure an argument and examine issues from different perspectives. We had an end of the year meet with the Junior team from Ashbury. Our coach is Laura Nelson, a lawyer with Department of Justice.

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Debating

This year the debating team headed in a new direction applying a more recreational approach. We had many discussions, games, and group debates. Many new and enthusiastic members joined and debating meetings were full of ideas, resolutions and argument. This year our school was represented both at the Regional debating competition and was selected to represent Ottawa in the Provincial Debating Seminar.

We were fortunate to also have the assistance of Mr. Godmere who through his workshops gave us excellent tips and advice.We were also coached by Ms Helen Gray and Lisa Barnett, both lawyers. Our new mentor and coach Mr. Hay, a teacher here at Elmwood, is now helping guide and direct the team. I wish everyone luck next year.

Remember to stay informed, question, and debate!

Brain Quest

Back Row (L-R) Ms. Edgecombe, Priya Wadhera, Lyndsay Kota
Juliet Caragianis, Rachael Murray, Irena Wright, Sarah Eversh
Maggie Murray
3rd Row (L-R) Stephanie Pratapas, Emma Dolhai, Jennifer Ma
Margot Whittington, Alice Bifield, Rebecca Boucher, Stephanie
Kelly Hunter
2nd Row (L-R) Yuliya Belik, Emma Regan, Hannah Boomer, E
Montgomery, Quincy Batson, Anisha Dhalla, Charles-Albert A
Front Row (L-R) Ivy Bregman, Sarah Seward-Langdon, Tori
McIntyre, Julia Hewitt

Middle School Drama Club

"Shall I compare it to a Summer's Day?" - Isabella P.
"In the cookie of drama, your ideas are the chocolate chips" - Sam
"Very fun with a lot of play work" - E.S.
"The best part of Monday!" - Nikki C.
"Drama: don't come if you don't want to have fun." - Katie
"Very fun!!" - Rebecca C.
"No eating in the auditorium!" - [??]
"Life is like cheese...it sounds good when you say it!" - [??]
"Drama is the source of all life's happiness." - Alexa
Drama is like a box of chocolate, the majority of it tastes good." - Maggie

Improv Team!

Hi, I'm Improv! Short for Improvisational Theatre. I love it when people do me and so does the audience. I'm a riot! I'm funny and I love crowds. I'm also an art form and I need people to take me seriously as well as have fun with me. This is my second year at Elmwood, and it's been kind of hard fitting in with the Classics Club, the Volleyball Team, and all other older extra-curricular activities who have been here for so long...I feel like a baby! Still, I'm pretty jazzed, because every Monday, a great group of girls gets together with me! (And I love girls...) The only thing that lies between me and them is this fire-eating man with a stick, Scott Florence, who has known me forever! Well, he and his alter ego, Katherine Young, a museum guide who instructs people to "scooch." They like to take control of me and boss me around because...Improv Games! Woo! Did I mention how much I ADORE the Canadian Improv Games? I'm there every year. I've gone with Elmwood for two years now, and I'm hoping this will become a long-standing tradition. I look forward to the day when I can proudly announce to the world (especially my parents) "I've been going steady with Elmwood for over two years now!" My only wish is for Elmwood to help me grow bigger and stronger and to accept me and love me and cradle me in its arms. And...for the the older extra-cuuricular activities to to take me out clubbing with them. Now, if anyone can tell me where to get a fake I.D., please drop me a line.
Peace out! Love, Improv

Starr Gymnastics

Starr Gymnastics is a facility that provides wonderful athletic activities for students. The girls enjoyed their participation in this program and learned valuable skills. Each session demanded that students exercise a great deal of balance and focus. From somersaults to front tucks, the girls worked collaboratively with the Starr Gymnastics staff to achieve personal goals. This athletic experience proved to be both inspiring and rewarding for our students.

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Golf, Tennis, Mileage and Gymnastics

Mileage Club

Junior School Staff and students were thrilled to return to school and see that a new track had been added to the playground. The track is 350 metres long and rambles scenically around the soccer field, through the planned butterfly garden, and around the kindergarten play area. To celebrate this event we decided to have a fall session of our Mileage Club that began last spring. All students from grades three through five are automatically enrolled in the program. The focus is on fun participation for all fitness levels. Students are invited to use their recesses to walk, jog and run around the track. Through an elaborate system involving hole punches and mileage cards, students track their total mileage, delighting gym teachers and math teachers alike with their on the fly calculations of how many more laps they need to run in order to earn that next toe token. Several students were awarded WinIt stickers for completing 50 kilometers or more during the fall term. Congratulations to all those who participated!

By Roger Adams, Christine Blackadar, and Valerie Edgecombe

Tennis

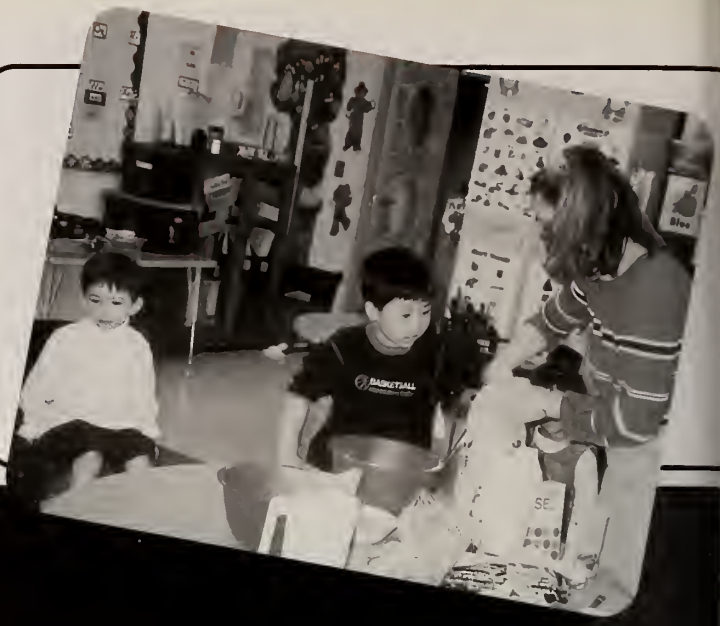
The Elmwood tennis team, consists of: Deeja Sultan, Laura Kerrigan, Emma Roberts, Marielle McGovern, Kristina Medow, Alix Dudley, Alicia Kerrigan, Jenny Cheetham, Parysa Salemi, Lindsay Bryden, Mr. Grenier as the coach and Jessica Loeb as the captain. As soon as school started the Tennis team was keen to get on the courts and start practicing. Many Elmwood girls participated in the try-outs, which Mr. Grenier had a hard time deciding over. Jessica organized t-shirts for the team. Thanks to Mr. Grenier for a great season.

Golf

It was a great fall for golf! After showing our skills in the school's backyard, the tryouts continued at the Rockcliffe driving range. The team's playing season consisted of a practice round of golf at the Meadows Golf Club and then the city tournament also held at the Meadows course. We were happy to have Ms. Begin and Ms. Bates join us, and show us their expertise. The city NCSSAA tournament began with a shot gun start at 8:00 a.m. and over 100 competitors played 18 holes for the morning. The day ended with a lunch BBQ and awards presentation. The Elmwood Team were the 2nd place team winners overall! FORE!!! Congratulations to team members: BROOKE HERCZEG, LORENA MASON, ANGELA SKAFF AND JULIA NORMAN. Team alternates were Alex Billings and Jillian Norman. Coach: Mrs.Brenda Neale; Assistant Coach: Mrs. Kathryn Begin

Cooking Club

For six weeks, the kindergartens and grade one students joined "head chef" Mrs. Leith to create some yummy cooking creations. The children learned about measurement, reading recipes and mixing and pouring ingredients together. They took home delicious treats including banana chocolate chip muffins and home made pizza to share with their families. A great time was enjoyed by all!



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Creative Writing

Once again, Elmwood's Creative Writing Group made short work of writer's block.
Dr. George led the charge with her trusty hammer; her construction crew smashed their authors' inhibitions, and built the poems and stories of their dreams from the dust that followed.

Creative Writing Winners

Grade 6
poetry: Jocelyn Sevigny, 6T
short story: Natalie Ogonek, 6T

Grade 7
poetry: Kate Portner Gartke, 7H

Grade 8
Poetry: Rebecca-Rose Loeb, 8M
Short Story: Nicola Childs-Adams, 8M
Rachel Hutchinson, 8m

Grade 9
poetry: Clare Funston, 9MC
Larissa Zajac, 9C

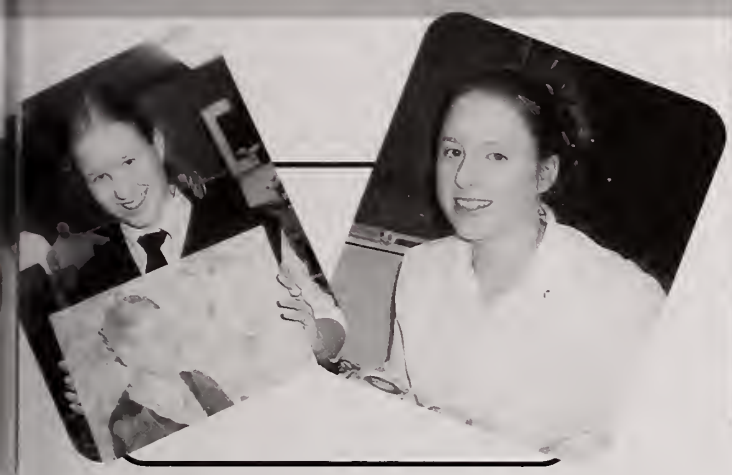
Grade 10
poetry: Ayla Fisk, 10
Hope Villeneuve, 10M
Short Story: Stephanie Hjartarson, 10WM

Grade11
Drama: Katherine Morrison 11AS
Poetry Laura Doubleday 11FR

Grade 12
Poetry: Catherine Wilson 12s
Short story: Kayli Cooper 12s

Drawing Club

The Drawing Club was for grade 2 and 3. The students enjoyed drawing fish, pandas, chickens, cats and pumpkins! They learned about lines, shapes and shading. The were attentive and very motivated. They were real little artists!!



Art Workshop

Karen Bailey, our new artist-in-residence meets with a group of girls every Thursday to provide an opportunity for the students to explore art as a way of seeing the world more clearly. She provides live models each week for the students to capture on their canvas. With acrylics as their medium, students study light, composition, texture, and human form. By allowing her pupils to mix their own paints, position the sitter, and choose their own background, Ms. Bailey encourages independence and individualism. As well, by showing students her own work and that of various other painters, she inspires them to explore their unique style, and reach their full potential as artists. *-Laura Thurlow*

Water Polo

This year Elmwood water polo soared to new heights. With the biggest team yet, it was packed with talent, heart, and energy to the max! It was also our most successful year yet. The season started out solidly and ended even better. Elmwood water polo is a culture of its own and may you always keep the spirit bright. What a fantastic season girls, you should be very proud. Three cheers for Miss Lamb and our fantastic new coach Megan Cummings.

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Senior Swim Team

With the biggest (and most spirited!) team in Elmwood history, it is no surprise the season was such a tremendous success! From 6:30 practices to beating the boys in Brewer meets, the season brought waves of excitement, improvement, spirit, dedication and MEDALS! For the first time in several years we were able to attend the City Championships and competed with astounding success! With many finalists and even 2 firsts, we even set a new city record! So no matter where life brings you....just keep swimming, just keep swimming...

Middle Swim Team

Every Thursday after school, the middle school swim team goes to a local swimming pool and swims for an hour and a half. Our coaches, Mrs. Dorcas and Mrs. Fazakas, teach us great swimming techniques. We practice for the upcoming meet at the end of season. It is a thrilling event where the Elmwood middle school team races against other schools. All are encouraged to join the team. You don't need to be the best at it, so long as you try your best!

Synchro Swimming

It all started out as just a few people signing up for synchronized swimming but then we started to realize what synchronize swimming is really all about friendship and teamwork. We started to realize each others personalities and that there was no "I" in a team. As we started our synchronized swimming year we learned skills like layouts, ballet legs, table tops and a lot more. We all worked hard as we started our routine and even though at times we were tired we kept on going thinking that we might as well get the best out of such an experience. Every single time we went we all had a lot of fun learning new skills but it's not all serious. We still kept on playing while we were learning our routine. Now as I look back, I feel a bit sad that this has all gone but I know if many people make an effort as a team we will be able to keep on having just as much fun and maybe even more than before.

Classics Club

The Classics Club has been a fixture at Elmwood for decades, allowing students to express their enthusiasm for the ancient Mediterranean world as t prepare for a variety of competitions at the Ontario Student Classics Conference. The club began work this year in September, meeting weekly during lu as well as after school and on weekends to prepare a variety of creative submissions. A dedicated team of between 12 and 20 students has worked throug the year to assist with all the projects. The theme for this year's conference, hosted by Barrie Central Collegiate, was chosen as *fides et pietas* (faith and pi and so all of our endeavours had to reflect this theme. We chose to represent in the fashion show great female characters from mythology who embo faith and piety (Pyrrha, Galatea, and an Eleusinian Priestess) as well as the goddesses Venus and Demeter (as objects of faith and piety), Nemesis (the goc of divine retribution for acts of impiety) and Hubris (the arrogance of humankind). There are over eighty competitions at the OSCC, and Elmwood's te while always one of the smaller ones in size, participates with the heart and spirit of the largest! In order to participate, we must also raise significant fun support the variety of creative projects our students enjoy so much. This year, the club planned a very successful fundraising Hallowe'en dance, and, along a most generous and kind donation from the Parents and Friends Association, has put its funds toward outstanding projects and submissions in as m categories of competition as possible!

Harry Potter

Our meetings are a close-knit handful of regulars that bring great input and ideas. So, what exactly DOES the HPC do? Well, we talk about the books a lot... there's that much to talk about! Theories, predictions, anticipation, and rumors for the sixth and seventh book, and on the series at large, are common threads of discussion. We've also had a fantastic Movie Night, where we sat around, ate candy-floss and pizza, and watched The Philosopher's Stone. We make crafts, such as mock-quills and amulets, and play the HP computer game, too.

r. School Multimedia

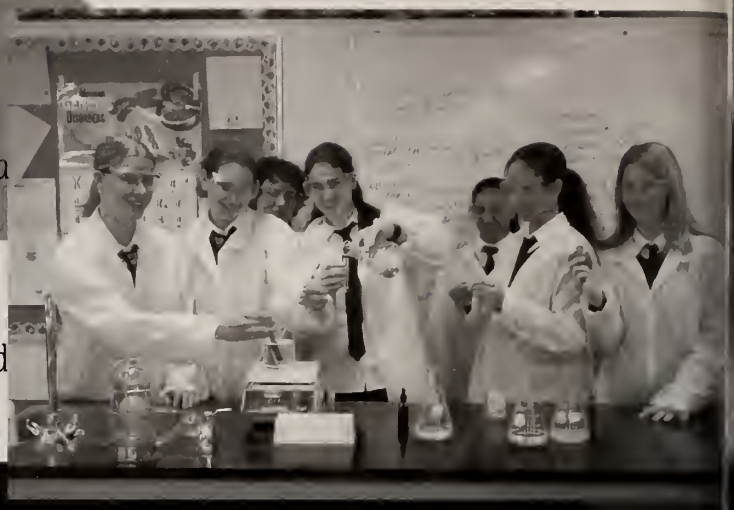
ne Junior School Multimedia Club meets every week to arn about computers and work with programs like *lash*! This year the students were taught how to make ojects come alive, make balls bounce and words fly! The udents learned new skills and had fun at the same time!

Model UN

In mid-November, some Grade 12 history students and Mr. and Mrs. McCabe traveled to Montreal for the SSUNS (Secondary Schools United Nations Symposium). We were on a diverse range of committees such as UN Reform, WHO and The Vienna Convention on Human Rights. We had a range of experiences, good and, never bad, but perhaps "interesting" would be an appropriate word to use. On behalf of all of the Grade 12 students who attended the conference, I'd like to thank the McCabes for all of their encouragement, patience and support.

Chemistry Club

The chemistry club is a new endeavour at Elmwood that has been very well received. A small group of students, dedicated to science and improving their understanding of the world around them, meet once a cycle to conduct lab experiments, view interesting demonstrations and figure out ways to improve the science program within the school. Some of the activities have included glass bending and distillation of alcohol from an unknown substance. Thanks to everyone who has come out over the course of the year and made this such a success and thanks to Dr. Mahin for his enthusiasm, the idea and leadership within the lab.



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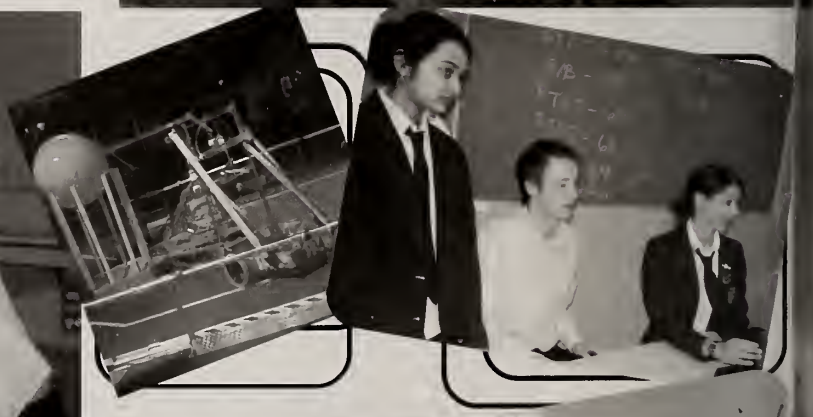
Robotics

Our team is called "The Elements" and, like the naturally-occuring elements, we are divided into 4 subcategories. They are: Fire - Building Team, Water - Webpage Team, Wind - Promotion Team, and Earth - Mentors. We all work together to form the wonderful group that is the Elmwood Elements. We competed in the 2004 First Canadian Regional competition. We were very pleased with the outcome, and we did very well considering the limited amount of experience that some of our participants had.



Sr. Soccer

This year's Varsity Soccer Team's Season will be a hard one to beat. Our team did not only achieve great results (after completing the regular season, we're undefeated so far!), we also had an awesome time. We've had so many hilarious moments at practices and games, like when Virginia did a bicycle kick by accident, amusing taxi/bus/car (of course only with our parents' permission) rides, and so much more
This year we were lucky to have a great new coach, Karla Clarke. At the beginning of the year, she told us that she would not coach losers and that we would be a winning team – in no time that's exactly what happened. She made our journey to becoming an outstanding competitive team fun with all of her witty and sometimes uncalled-for comments. The team would like to give a HUGE thanks to both our coaches, Karla and Ms. Naufal Moffatt for all of the hard-work and time they invested into the team. Congratulations girls.

Regular Season Statistics

Games Played: 6

Games Won: 5

Games Tied: 1

Games Loss: 0

Goals For: 21

Goals Against: 2

Standing in Division: First

City Finals:

#1

Sr. Rugby

Once upon a time, on a home field far far away, polluted with fish heads and other teams' blood, there were 35 girls all dressed in green jerseys and Where's Waldo socks, who were feared by all high school students in the east end. Together they earned third place in the city regardless of the 4 broken noses, 3 damaged knees, 2 sprained ankles and the interesting spectators sitting *high* on the hill!

Thank you to Mrs. Depooter for another great season and good luck to the grads next year, we will all miss you!
BRONZE MEDALS! Awoohoo!!!

Student Life

Sports Day

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Art & Lit of the Month

;tratFord Trip

e saw: The Taming of the Shrew, Troilus and Cressida, Hunchback
f Notre Dame, The King and I, Barnboozled, and Gigi.
sampling of students' comments:
est part—*The King and I*" (Jade Legault)
ll the plays were great…and the town was nice." (Jen Tigner)
My favourite play was *Troilus and Cressida* because it was
ntroversial and required thought." (Alexa Gendron-O'Donnell)
loved getting to see professional, English language, non-musical theatre
r the first time." (Caroline McLoughlin)
The trip was wonderful!...I am honestly looking forward to next year."
ara Duplancic)
More sleep." (a number of students)

Trips

Grade 8's go to Camp Woolsey

"We did orienteering, field sketching, a site map excercise and natural sculpting"

"I've been able to see nature's finer points...not just icky bugs"

"The last night there, we had a campfire and sang tons of songs"

"We were divided into the groups: ground squirrels, octopi and bats"

"We played some orienteering games, perfor skits and ate s'more

Grade 6's go to MacSkimming

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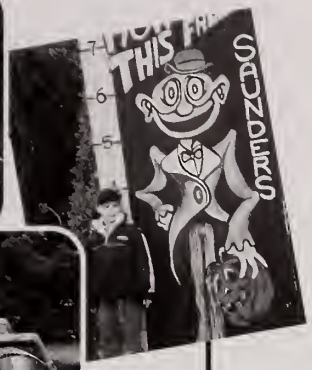
Grade 9's go on Duke of Ed. Trip

"We made s'mores and had a compfire"

"Bon Echo Park was beautiful that time of year"

"We hiked for 27Km and I was really sore"



"We got lost in the mazes, went on a tractor ride through water, and watched a puppet show"

Grade 1 go to Saunder's Farm

Grade 4 go to Upper Canada Village

"We milked cows, fed pigs and went to school"

"The boys went to the blacksmith and the tinsmith"

"The girls made purses and cooked"

"We dried fruit, straightened wool and collected fire wood"

"The best part was going on the anti-gravity chair"

Grade 7's go to Space Camp

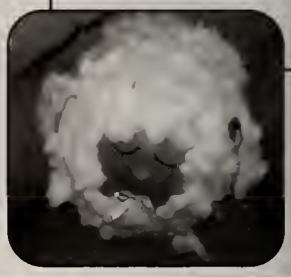
"The funniest part was when Madame Coates screamed her head off when she was on the triple axle simulator!"

HalloWeen

The Recent Grad Reunion was not as scary of some of these hallowe'en costumes.

Grads met and discussed their new university lives, as well as receiving their yearbooks!

The pumpkin carving contest in the senior school was wonderful as usual. The winning pumpkins in this year's new category, teacher look-alikes, were Mr. Dube and Ms. Lamb. (both pictured right)



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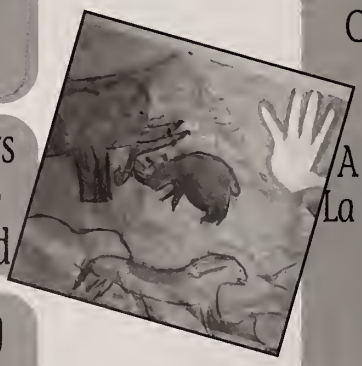
Grade 2's go to the Experimental Farm

I learned that turkeys are called toms and hens.

I learned that trukeys turn blue in the face when they are scared

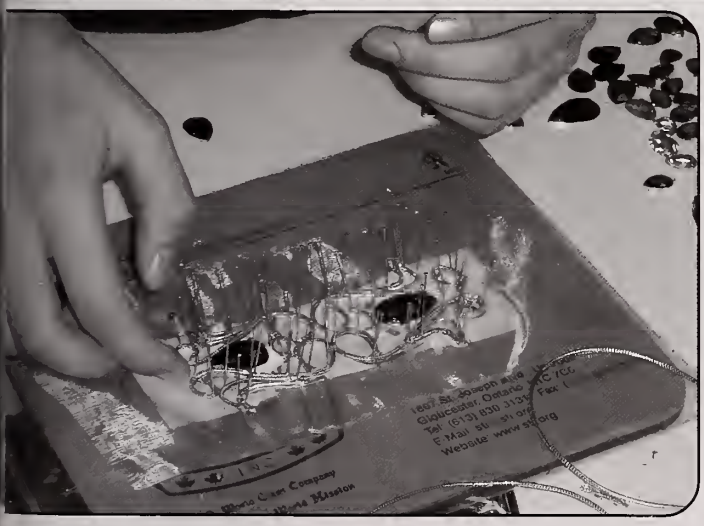
I saw a mommy pig and her baby piglets. The room was stinky.



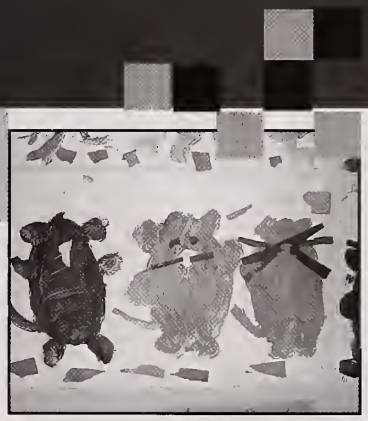
Stephanie Tannis
Confiada, ordenada, simpática
Hija de Sam
A quien le encantan :
La lluvia, la música, sus amigos.
Quien se siente :
Contenta con sus amigos y su familia, triste por los que tienen hambre

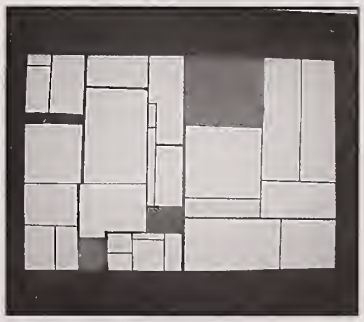
The Classics Club Hallowe'en Dance was a huge success, making almost $1000!

Art and Lit of the Month



Marielle
Inteligente, simpática, madura, creativa
Hija de David y Elise
A quien le encantan :
Reírse, cantar y sus amigas
Quien se siente :
Contenta con su vida y triste cuando piensa en un cambio
Quien necesita :
La música, el océano y su familia





Middle School Dance

The Halloween Middle School dance was held at Ashbury this year. It was on the 25th October and was a huge success.

The Senior School put their running shoes on every day 4 at lunch, to play Quiditch. Fry, Nightingale. Keller and Wilson went head to head to win the Golden Shoe.

House Games

Once a cycle the Middle School students joined together in their houses and played games against the other houses.

03-04 October

Exchanges

During the summer and the first term, Elmwood hosted 3 exchange students from France and 1 from Germany. They wrote what they did in Canada:

Sandy Coutouly

"I come from Bordeaux in the south of France, I arrived on 11th August and I leave on the 27th October."

"Elmwood School is a great school with four houses like Harry Potter."

"Upper Canada Village was great and looked like the village of my Grandparents in France"

"I think Canada is a beautiful country and i promise to come back"

Winnie Langer

"I was on an exchange from Berlin, Germany, came to Canada on A 20th, 2003 and stayed November 15th."

"We went camping in Algonquin Park, visited Niagara Falls, went to the CN Tower and saw the Lion King"

"Canada is a real nice country and enjoyed my stay very much."

Run For The Cure

On October 5th Elmwood students (organized by Shalta Claire) participated in an annual mother - daughter charity run/walk for breast cancer.

Kindergarten go to Valleyview Farm

On October 9th, Junior and Senior Kindergarten went on a field trip to Valleyview Farm. They took a train through the crops, saw many animals, and played in a big playground.

Grade 1 go to the Museum of Agriculture

On October 8th the grade 1's went to the Museum of Agriculture for the day. They saw and learned about many animals such as horses, rabbits and turkeys.

Grade 4 and 5 go to the Imax

On October 16th, grade 4 and 5 went to see an Imax, at the Museum of Civilization. They saw the movie "Pulse" which showed many different percussion instuments and rythms from around the world.

Poeme d'Halloween

C'est la soirée de l'Halloween,
Les enfants vont de portes en portes,
Avec leur costume et leur sac.
Squelettes, sorcières se promènent.
Les citrouilles et les chauve-souris,
Décorent les portes et les fenêtres.
L'Halloween est très amusant,
Pour les enfants, petits et grands.
By Jena Tannis in Grade 5

Exchanges

Pauline Rault

"I arrived in Canada on August 12th, and I leave on November 1st."

"I was very surprise that all people have a laptop"

"I went to Upper Canada Village, Montreal, and Toronto while I was here"

Sevérine Vignoli

"I'm fourteen years old. I'm an exchange student from Grenoble, France"

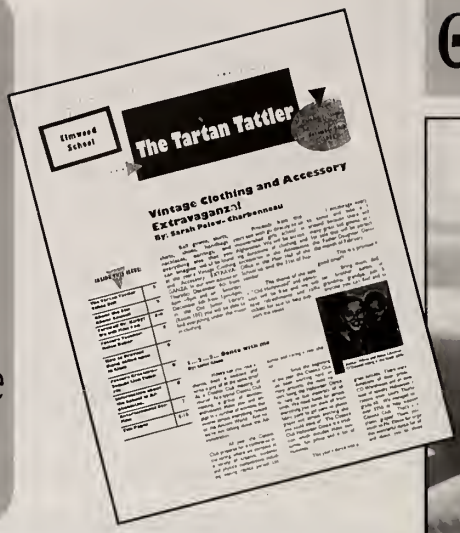
"I went to Niagara Falls, went rafting, and saw the musical Mamma Mia"

"I would like to thank everybody who helped me to improve my English, and to have such a good time, and especially Kirsten's family who I stayed with."

International Walk to School Day

On October 8th Elmwood participated in the national Walk to School Day to promote healthier living and cleaner air.

Sarah Charbonneau was busy this month. With the help of many enthusiastic Elmwood girls, she organized the warm clothing and food drive, as well as publishing the first issue of the school newspaper, the Tartan Tattler.


Elmwood School

The Tartan Tattler

Vintage Clothing and Accessory Extravaganza!

By: Sarah Peiew-Charbonneau

Good-bye Dr. Kirby

Warm clothing and Food drive

After many tears, and a few wonderful Powerpoint presentations, Dr. Kirby left for a much-earned vacation in Europe. We welcome Mrs. Spence as our new headmistress!

03-04 November

Wilson day

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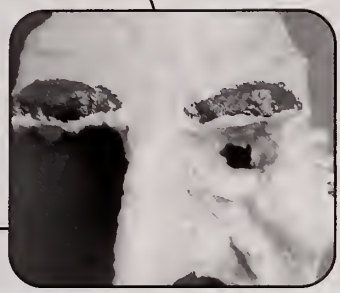

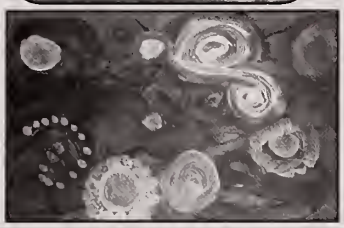

Losing
By Forrest Hartman
The snow around me turned dark red
Bullets rained upon the ground,
Why did they want us dead?
Was I to be laid in an unmarked mound?

A scream brought me out of my stupor
My friend lay beside me, face cold and blank,
His cigarette fell from his mouth, it tore
Me from incomprehension, the world became dark and dank.

My oldest child-hood friend lay there,
Eyes glazed in the final moment s of death,
This event was more then I could bear
As I watched him breathe his last breath.

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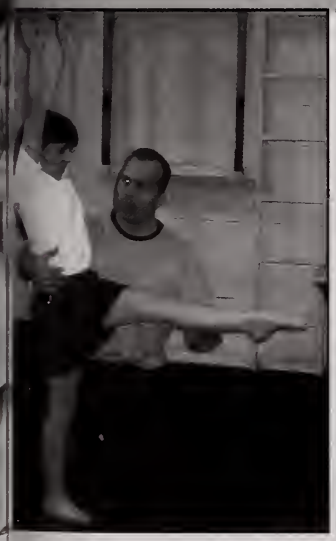
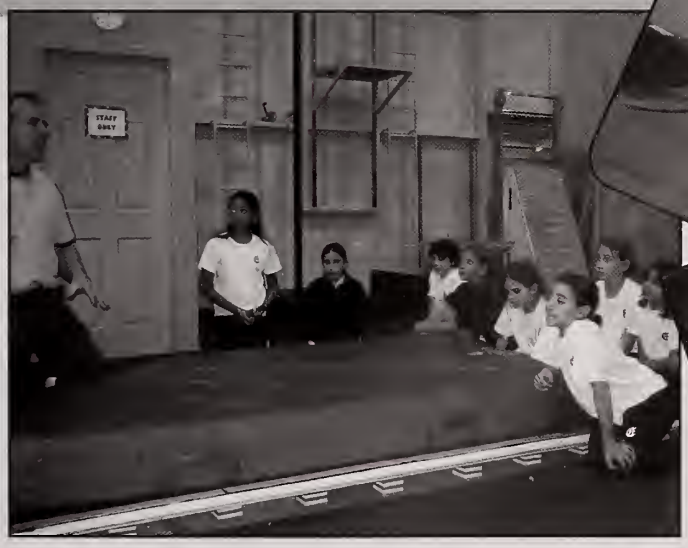




Kindergarten goes to the Science and Technology Museum

On the 10th Kindergarten went to a workshop called 'Earth's Seasonal Cycles'. They learnt about heat, light and seasonal changes, and they engaged in many fun hands-on activities.

Fowl Shooting

The awards were presented to the winners of the Foul Shooting contest in the Holiday Assembly. The competition had been held at breaks and lunches over a few weeks and students from the senior school and teachers participated. The overall winner was Sarah Buchan who was presented with a turkey.

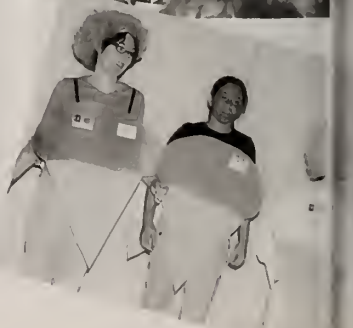
Student/Teacher B-Ball Game

On December 12th, the Varsity Basketball Team came out at lunch and played a team of enthusiastic, basketball loving, athletic teachers. But they came in vain...the students defeated them...again!

03-04 December

Grade 7 and 8 Stock Market

On the 17th the grade 7's and 8's participated in the Stock Market game. Everyone was in teams of 2 or 3 and they competed against each other to make the most money in the stock market simulation.



Improv X Night

On the night of December 4th the Improv team and a bunch of fans went to Hillcrest High School to participate in the Exibition Games. They performed really well and are looking forward to the actual competition in February.

Human Rights Day

The Amnesty International club organized a Human Rights Day at Elmwood to make people aware of Human Rights problems around the world. They gave a presentaion in assembly, then followed it up with activities at break and lunch.

Cuba Trip

"Canada...Cuba...por todos los dias" This was the cheer that 40 Elmwood volleyball players from grade 8 to grade 12 chanted in a sweltering gym outside of Havana, Cuba. We all improved our volleyball skills thanks to our Cuban coach and the Cuban girls who were integral part of our experience. We had a wonderful time sight-seeing in Havana, our volleyball practices in the morning and our day at the beach in Varadero. Thank you to Ms.Bates, Mrs. Neale, Mme Marchand and Ms. Coates for taking us on this wonderful trip.

-Marielle McGovern

MJ goes to the Elizabeth Fry Society

On the 18th, MJ, Anneka, Beverly and Mrs. Bradley went to the Christmas Party at the Elizabeth Fry Society, which is Fry House's charity. Mary Jane delivered the presents that were collected from under the tree in the front hall at Elmwood.

Grade 8 girls sponsor a family on Christmas

8D organized a middle school social, taking the proceeds to buy Christmas gifts for a sponsored family. They took the presents to the family's home and spent the evening with them.

December Poem

Winter's A Glow

When icicles hang by a thread so long,
And children play in the snow,
Building forts and snowmen tall,
They drink hot chocolate steaming hot.

homeward bound off they go,
As they are hungry and cold,
When sleepy eyes close at night,
Dreams of laughter bring them light.

in a blink fairies of the night take flight,
And a new bright day is borne.

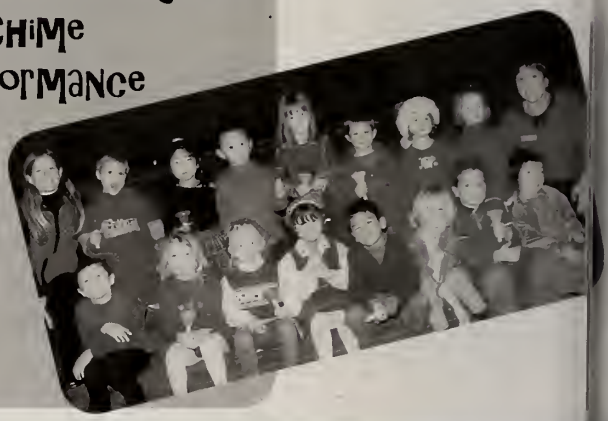
By Ameera Moledina
Grade 3

Christmas Concert

On the 17th of December, Elmwood sent off its students with holiday joy. In the afternoon, the entire school gathered in the gym, full of spirit. They saw prefect skits, listened to the bands and choirs perform festive music, and of course, they all joined in to sing their very own version of the 12 days of Christmas - Elmwood style.

Christmas Assembly

Senior Kindergarten do Chime Performance



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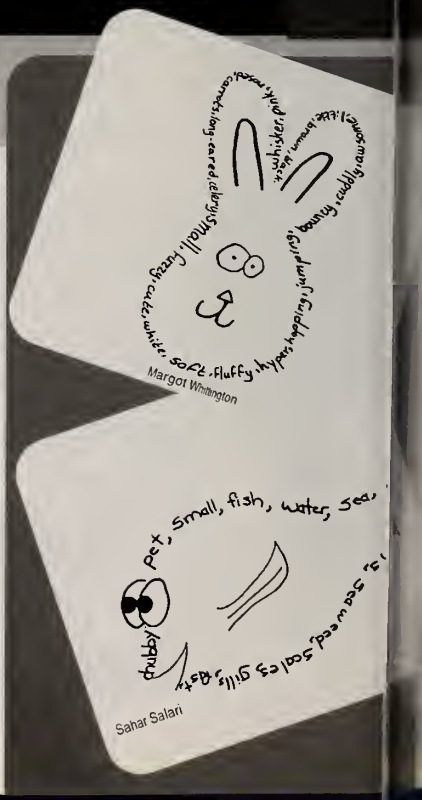
Christmas Boxes



Julie Pickering - Nightingale Head

This year has been AMAZING for Nightingale! There are so many memories that we will be able to cherish; our terrific victory on sports day, gingerbread cookie-decorating, house meeting entertainment, Ayesha playing Florence Nightingale, our wonderful fundraiser, wacky blue costumes, Pepsi Cola, and best of all, ALL THE CANDY!

We certainly did live up to our house motto, "Not For Ourselves Alone". Our charity supports our dog, *Nightingale*, working in Bosnia to remove landmines. With our fundraiser, we showed the rest of Elmwood that the solution to a worldwide phenomenon such as landmines is very simple at heart. Keep up the good work.

Remember to keep the spirit high, and to always cheer loudest during sports day. Best of luck to next year's Head of Nightingale. Don't forget to have fun no matter what the outcome, and to always stay true to your roots. WHEN YOU'RE ON OUR TEAM, YOU'RE THE BEST IN TOWN!

Nightingale Day

Nightingale House Day was on the 8th and all the house members wore Navy-blue clothes to school.

Art and Lit of the Month

Chickens Run Away,
Because of Freezing Snow,
Bye-bye- Snow Chickens.
-- Brendan Lucas, Grade 2

People go skiing,
Hockey players are skating,
Snow flakes are falling.
-- Connor McLaren, Grade 2

Grade 6 goes to Macskimming

On The 19th, the grade 6's went to Macskimming for the day.

'We had to work as a team to carry an iron pots, skunk oil, and a heavy pack of furs.'

I learned a lot about the voyageurs and the coureurs de bois, and what they did for a living.'

'It was my first time on snowshoes and I loved it! Kelly O'Connor

VolleyBall Fun Day

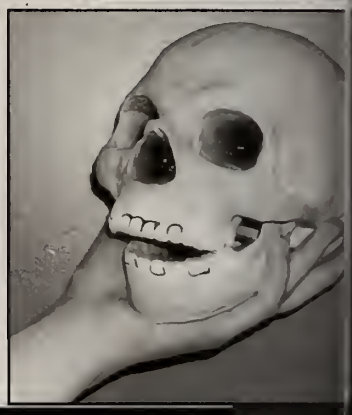
On Saturday the 31st, the grade 7's and 8's came to school in the morning to play volleyball against each other just for fun.

Weather Presentation

Ian Black from the CBC did a presentation on weather for the Middle and Junior school.

Grade 10 and 11 go to the theatre

The grade 10 and 11 English and drama classes went to see the play 'Hamlet'at the NAC and 'The Doll's House'at the GCTC to enhance their English class, as they were studing these plays this year. Also earlier in the year, they had gone to see 'Mother Courage' and 'The Importance of Being Earnest'



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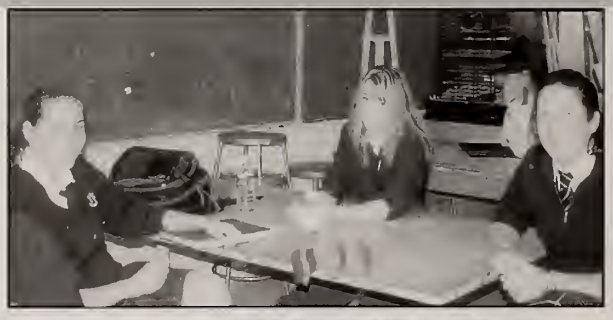
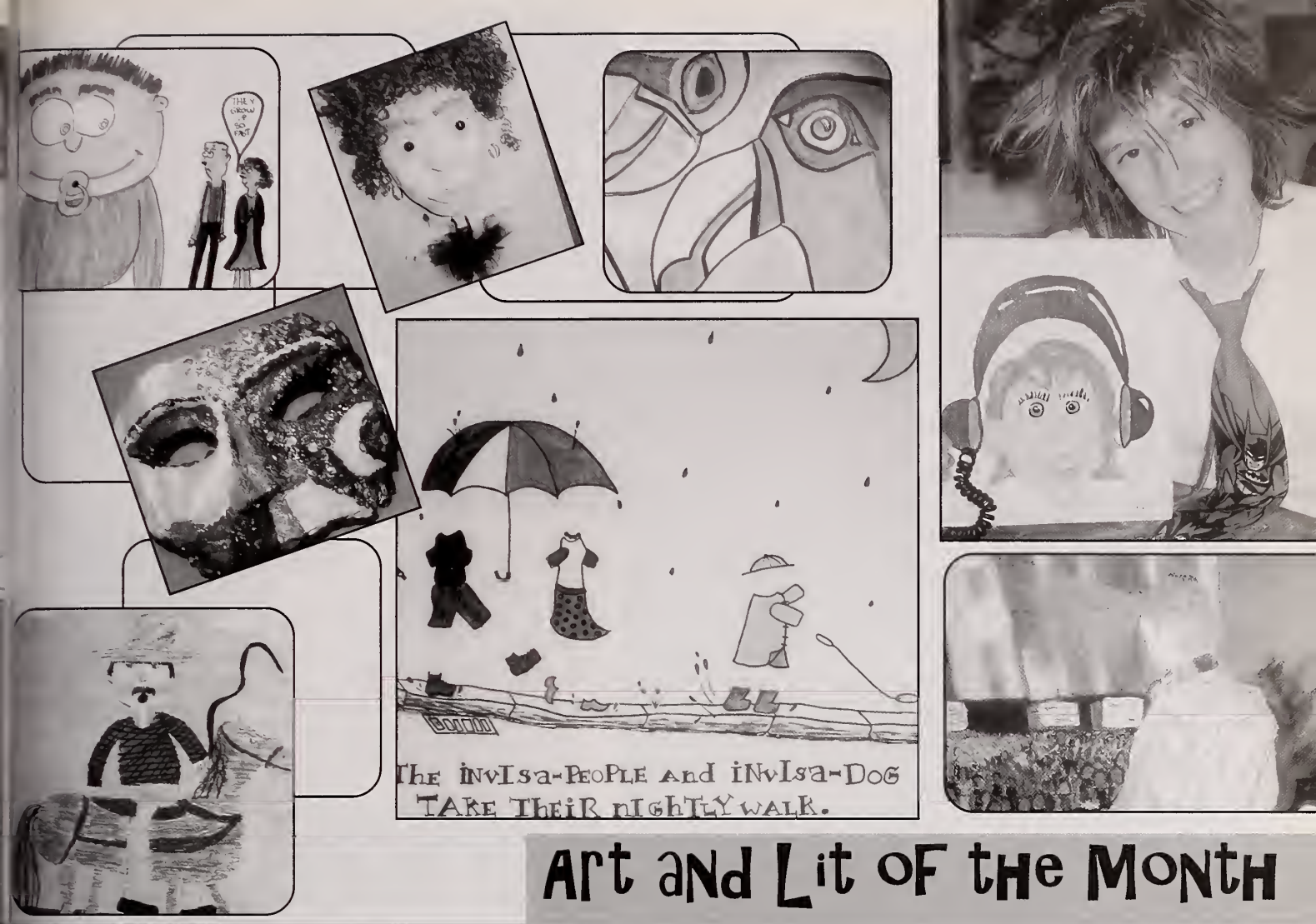
Exchange Studen

Bring your Own Banana was a huge success. It was a fundraiser .. for MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving).



Alice, a New Zealand Exchange Student from Otago High School in Dunedin, left at the end of the Month after staying in Ottawa for 2 months. She stayed with two host families: Kate Bifield and Caroline Boyle, and went to classes in grade 11.



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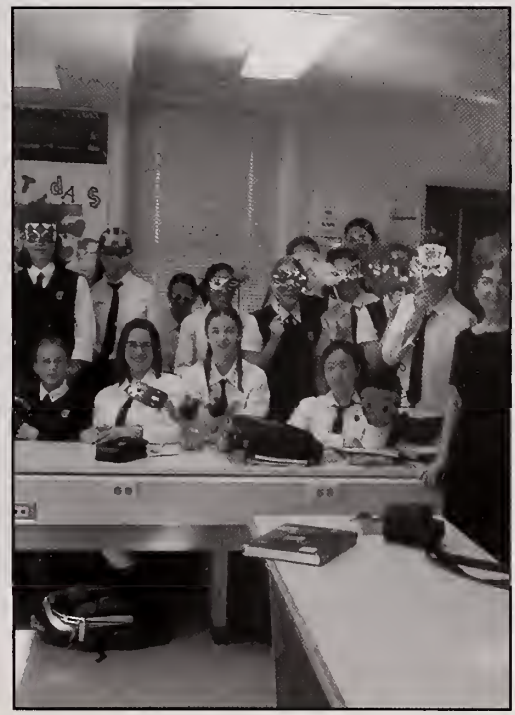


Open House

Elmwood held a High School Information Night and Open House on the 29th. Academics and clubs were showcased, with various performances and student presentations.

Mary Jane - Fry Head

Though I may never again look favourably upon plaid, you have taught me red is truly a colour to be proud of. You have taught me the importance of cheering when it's easier not to (or when you have lost your voice), and the true value of being a friend.
Fry, it has been fantastic to the max. In everything we have done together, you have made me proud and it has been an honour. Our first ever Elmwood Friendship Week was a HUGE success, proving Fry girls do it best!
I get by with a little help from my friends...and I would like to thank my co-conspirator Nadia for her true friendship and dedication.
So in the end, even if you forget who had the most house points, or who won the Golden Shoe, never forget who we are. Always remember where we come from, and the importance of FRIENDSHIP FOR ALL. It will get you far in life.
Carry the torch proudly as you lead the most splendiferous house one could ever hope to be a part of!
Love always, your very red house head,

-Mary Jane

Friendship Week

From the 10th to the 14th, i was Friendship week at Elmwood. This followed Fry day, as their house motto is 'Friendship For All'", and ended in Valentine's day. Students could send letters t their friends and send valer tines to raise money for Fry House's charity.

Fry Day

On the 10th, all the students in Fry House had to wear red, their house colour, to School to celebrate their annual House Day.

Friendship Week

03-04 February

Spirit Month

Valentine's day

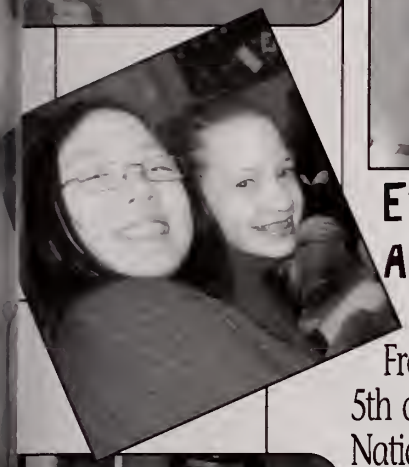
On Valentine's Day everyone came to school wearing red, white, and pink.

Topsy Turvy day

On the 20th, everyone forgot their uniforms and dressed Topsy Turvy for a day.

Decades Day

On Friday the 27th everyone wore clothes representing a decade in history.



Eating Disorder Awareness Week

From the 2nd until the 5th of February, it was National Eating Disorder week. On Wednesday the 4th, people came in to school early to tape up all the mirrors in the school so that everyone would see their inner beauty for a day.

Ski/Snowboard Days

The Jr. School had 2 ski days on Thursdays at Camp Fortune. Every Friday in Janurary and February the Middle and Senior School ski club went skiing after school at Camp Fortune. The Junior School had two wonderful ski days on consecutive Thursdays.

International Night

Our team comes 4th in the city!.

Improv

The Lark

This month all the people involved in this year's drama production, 'The Lark', were working hard to get ready for the performances at the end of February. There were many long rehearsals and a lot of effort was put into it, and the final product was amazing. Opening Night was on the 25th and ran every night until the 29th, with matinee performances on Saturday and Sunday.

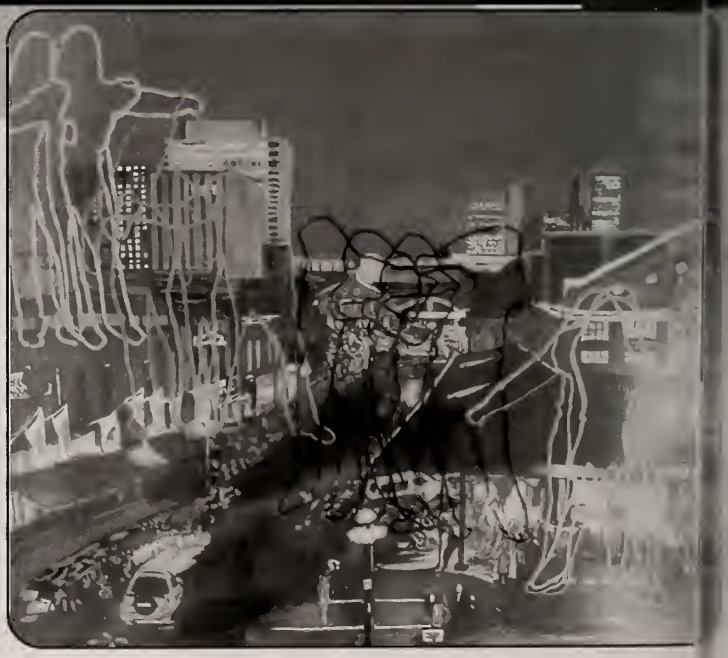
A few weeks before the Father-Daughter Dance, a group of girls met after school with professional hair and makeup stylists. They got tips on how to put on makeup and some even got hair cuts!

Hair and Makeup Workshop

03-04 February

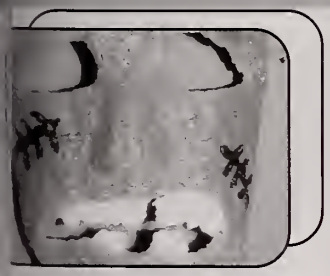
Art and Lit

Ground passes under my feet.
I am walking, strong.
I know where I'm headed,
but not where I'm going after
I arrive. Nobody does.
Tough hike. All uphill.
Getting there slowly, though.
Last 0.5km of the trail.
Then off the path.
Follow the sound of the waves
crashing against the rocks.
Edge to the cliff.
Time for a rest. Look at the
colours:
Pink to purple, to blue
then the stars, shining brilliant
Only a few seconds,
Now it's gone, disappeared
into tomorrow.
My turn.
I'm flying,
Hear the waves...
...crash...
–Catherine Wilson



Father-Daughter

On February 21st, all the fathers and daughters dressed in their most formal attire and went to the Hollywood-themed dance, complete with a red carpet. The food and music was wonderful, and it is safe to say that everyone enjoyed themesleves. The fathers especially loved showing off on the dance floor.



There once was a turtle
named Ed,
Who had a big brother
named Ted.
They ate and they
drank,
Then they played till
they stank,
And demanded again to
be fed!!!
--Kate Portner Gartke

The Penguin's feathers are
white and black,
The sound it makes is not a
quack,
They like to swim in the sea,
Though it cannot fly like a
bumble bee,
It's favourite food is fish,
They like to eat it as a main
dish,
The penguin likes to waddle
and prance,
Because it is always dressed for
a formal dance.
-Jocelyn Sevigny

Egypt Trip

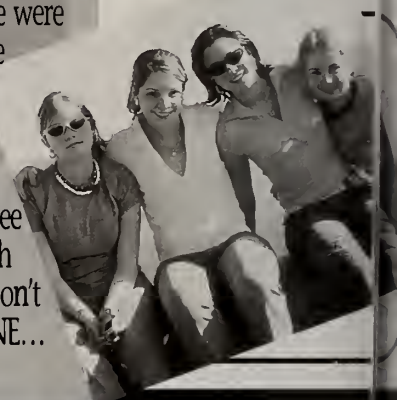
'Many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. McCabe and Ms. Ellison for bringing this opportunity to the Elmwood community, for their enthusiasm and patience.'

'From star gazing on the Nile River to shopping for papyrus to waking up early in the morning to visit a temple, we always had fun.'

'Our first day in Cairo we visited the pyramids, where we got into some trouble because the guards (with guns) thought we were trying to climb the pyramid when we were really just taking a picture. The pyramid visit was followed by a camel ride.'

'We got to visit so many wo derful places in Egypt, but a got to walk in the beautiful streets of Prague.'

Congratulations to Alex Pattee who impressed everyone with her bargaining skills! "You won't give me the price I want? FINE... back to Canada!"



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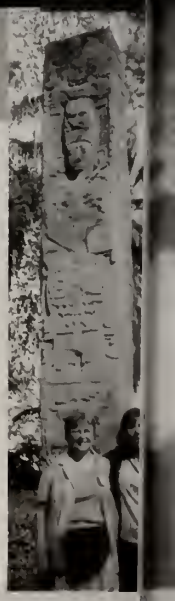
Mexico Trip

'14 Elmwood girls along with 10 Ashbury boys went to stay with other students from Discovery School in Cuernavaca, Mexico.'

'Their billets took the girls swimming, shopping, skating, bowling, and partying, showing them a bit of their life in Mexico. While the other days they went touring Cuernavaca, Borda Gardens, Place of Cortes, the pyramids of Teopanzolco, the caverns of Cacahuamilpa, Mexico City, Aztec ruins, Xochimilco and Tepoztlan, to name a few!'



'The experience was full of adventures, and some day students will return to visit new friends they have ma

Peru

Building stone paths, sending a deserving girl to school, caring for handicapped children, visiting floating islands and hiking the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu are only some of the highlights of this year's community service trip to Peru. The trip was a great success and an unforgetable experience for all 12 Elmwood girls who participated. Thanks to all of those who had a part in making this memorable adventure happen!!

France Exchange

During March, a group of grade 8/9 girls returned to France. On our first day, we had a lot of fun and learned what it was like to go to school in Marseilles. We also got to see the beautiful, crystal blue ocean and feel the warm sun. Every moment was breathtaking. We next spent 2 days in Paris. We saw many beautiful statues and fountains. We shopped, took lots of pictures, and ate croissants at the little cafes. The whole city glittered with blue lights as we stood on top of the Eiffel Tower at night. We had so much fun spending time with our partners, our friends, shopping, sightseeing and getting a taste of French culture. All in all the exchange was a huge success thanks to the hard work of Madame Millington.
Samantha Lamontagne

'Canadians are very friendly. They made my stay here nice.'

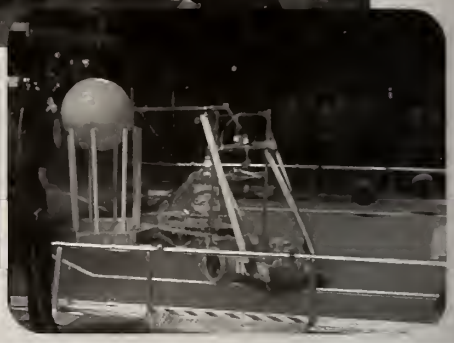
'I had a great time in Canada and at Elmwood. I especially liked visiting Montreal.'

We celebrated Francophone Day by wearing French accessories and having French tongue twister competitions. Also, Marie Soleil came as a guest speaker. Even the cafeteria got into the spirit offering crepes for lunch.

On the last week of April, ropes, rock walls, and helmets were the order of the day in gym classl. Senior School students especially enjoyed the zip line.

Robotics Trip

From the 1st to the 3rd of April the Robotics Team competed in Toronto at the FIRST Robotics Competition. They did extremely well considering it was their first time at this competition and they placed 22nd out of 72 teams.



Crazy sock day created house spirit when everyone wore socks in their house colour

03-04

April

Wilson's funraiser, Coffeehouse, was on April 15th and like last year, it was a great success. Bands from all over the city came and played including our in house talent.

Auction

The annual Auction fundraiser was held on the 17th. The theme was Le Cirque de Soleil and It was a huge success by the organizers, the PFA as they passed the $100,000 mark!

Soccer Trip

The senior Soccer team went to a tournament in Kingston from the 4th to the 5th of April.

No Landmines Breakfast

The Nightingale fundraiser was held on the morning of April 16th. People bought breakfast and ate while listening to the guest speaker, the CEO of the NO Landmines organization. We heard how Nightingale, the demining dog sponsored by Nightingale House, was making a difference. All the proceeds from the breakfast went to The Canine De-mine program. Thanks to Julie Pickering for organizing this event.

The 30 Hour Famine from the 2nd to the 3rd was a big success as there was a large group of Senior School students who participated and collectively raised money for World Vision.

Eco Challange

5 grade 10 girls went to Camp Woolsey from the 27th to the 29th to participate in an Environthon.

Jr. School Running Launch

Lauren MacLean - Wilson Head

We are from Wilson and we are the BEST! That's right ladies... you guys are the best ever! What a fantastic year we had!!! We started the year off amazingly well coming in SECOND place at the Fall Sports Day! We definitely gave the other houses something to worry about for the remainder of the year. Wilson had SO much spirit and enthusiasm. House Day was quite entertaining with the jello eating competitions. Wilson was awesome at supporting other houses in their fundraising events. In April, we had our fundraiser... COFFEEHOUSE! This was a difficult event to organize, but everything turned out in the end. Thank you to all who supported the fundraiser and enjoyed the evening. We raised $625 for Interval House, a very worthy charity. I had an awesome time being your house head! You ladies are amazing, keep the smiles glowing and shout with lots of spirit. Lauren

7/8 Social

On the 2nd April the grade 7's and 8's had another social with a dance and a movie organized by the Prefects.

Chris McKhool comes to the Junior School

The singer Chris McKhool performed for the Junior School. He sang songs about the environment and demonstrated different instruments from all parts of the world. He also explained how to make simple instruments.

Kiwanis Festival

The Middle School Choir and Honour band competed in the Kiwanis festival on the 19th and 20th. They did extremely well under the direction of Mrs. Holt.

Earth Day

The Junior School celebrated National Earth Day on the 22nd of April.

Rugby Trip

From the 22nd to the 25th the Rugby Team went to Oakville to play the CAIS tournement. They tied for third out of the whole of Canada, despite many injuries. They had lots of fun and are excited about playing next year.

03-04 April

M.S. Public Speaking

Drama Festival

From the 22nd to the 23rd, 12 Senior School students took a road trip to King, Ontario to participate in the Independent School's Drama Festival. After watching numerous performances they perfermored their own piece which was widely praised.

Art and Lit of the Month

er Poem

er is a happy time
en parents laugh after drinking wine
Easter bunny leaves us eggs
en my dog sees them he will beg
nds gather to rejoice
we eat cake, nice and moist
ting eggs and Easter bunnies
uire the help of our mummies
rating is always fun
pe the Easter bunny leaves hot-cross buns
eat chocolate 'till we're full
y sister steals it, her hair I will pull
l happy when I hear
t Easter is getting near!
Caroline Smith Gr.2

Australia

In down under everyday,
When you wake the palm trees sway,
Then you head down to the beaches,
And I'm lucky because they have no leeches.
Then you head up to lunch,
Which is really kind of a late lunch,
Oysters, mussels, prawns and fish,
Are the kinds of things you'd find on your dish.
Then you put more sunscreen on,
And when you're done it's almost gone,
Buying ice cream all the time,
My trip was very long and fun,
It was hard to fit it all into a project that is done.

By Charlotte O'Neill Gr.5

If the World...

the World were a better place, there
would be no fear,
he world were a better place, no one
would shed a tear,
There would not be any wars, and
everyone would get along,
every person's mind would play a
peaceful song.
By Anuja Sinha Gr.5

The moon...

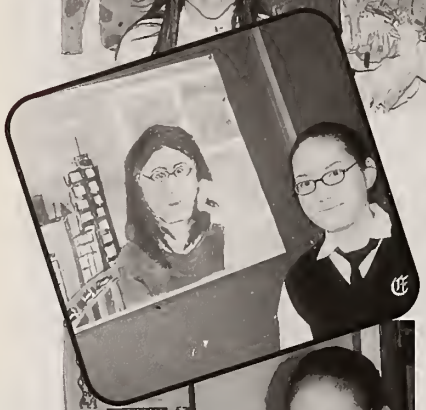
I stand in this radiant moonlight
Surrounded by peace and tranquility
Beyond this magnificent sphere
I see my home
Floating like a brilliant sapphire
Suspended by threads of space.
The distance between this jewel and me
Is infinite
I feel trapped
There is no escape
But then calmness falls about this place.
It feels just like home...

Sandy Kechichian 7W

A Man In a Chair

here once was a man in a chair,
Who loved to chew on his hair,
He thought it was hay,
o he ate it all day,
Until his head was bare.
By Jennifer Maginnis Gr.4

In your mind these weavers sit,
Sewing images as you sleep.
These pictures made of cloth much finer than lace,
Dance in your mind as the night goes on.
But these cloths of vibrant stories
Are too delicate for the morning sun.
So as the light draws in the east,
These elegant pictures fade into the dawn.
Though sometimes, if you look deep inside,
A scrap piece of dream is left behind...
by Alison Jamieson Gr. 7W.



Fires of the North

By Imke Scholz

As I walk through the night
Still as still can be
I feel no fright
For a miracle is over me
A wonder I have never seen
Words cannot describe it
Such beauty has never been
A flame that never has been lit
Colours in the sky
Older than the wolves song
Older than the eagles cry
This feeling is so strong
Colour playing up above
Yellow, green, blue, and red
A wondrous picture of love
Still remains unsaid
Stories of the Northern Lights
Coming into mind
Seeing them in full might
My heart I can find
All fears fall off me
As I follow the heavens fire
Never again this beauty shall I see
And with them goes my life's desire
Here it has started
Here life has given me its kiss
Here my body has departed
As my spirit follows the Aurora Borealis

The Camel on roller coaster

By Laila Murra

There once was a camel nar
oster,
Who rode on a roller coaste
She screamed so loudly,
Quite profoundly,
The next morning her face
on a poster

03 - 04 art & Lit

Return

By Stephanie Hjartarson

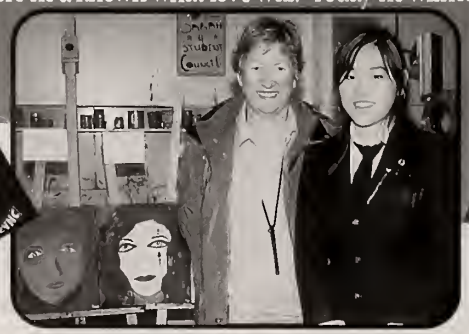
He didn't know how long he stood there before he sat. Drew his knees to his chest. Expected to wait there un
felt that presence beside him. Turned around to see him, all smiles and sad eyes that nobody had managed to bright
but him. At least, since they'd returned.

He had to remind himself to breathe again. They'd see each other soon. Nothing is just over. Especially not

He touched the leather cover. He could leave, wait at home. He'd be back. It may be a few years, but he'd be
A piece of paper fell as he stood. He took it off the ground. It said his name across the top. And it was *his* handwrit
He knew what it would say. Where he could find him. When he'd return.

It didn't.

He read the note. Forgot about the breathing. He sat back down, couldn't stand. Now he really was alone.
day before he'd known what love was. Today he wished he didn't.



Wings By Rachel Hutchinson

I was waiting on a bench when they came. I wasn't waiting for them, mind you. I wouldn't wait on a cold mall bench just to hear them bicker. "They" being a man and a woman, a very angry man and woman. She was holding a small child and bags were heaped in her other arm. He had his arms full of packages, and they were both fuming. It looked like World War III with Christmas decoration. *Ah*, I thought, *domestic family turns violent in the turmoil that is Christmas. Coming soon to a mall near you.* The scene was vaguely amusing, but I wished they would move on; their yelling was doing nothing for my headache.

"Why on earth would you give him fifty dollars?!"

"He was homeless," the woman's indignant screech went straight to the centre of my fast-developing migraine.

"Yeah right! Did you see his shoes? He's probably back at his apartment now watching football on some flat screen TV and congratulating himself on fast-cash. Honestly, anything even remotely needy looks at you and you're clucking over them like a mother hen! Our daughter will end up spoiled, just you watch." He gestured a t the child. She stared at her red boots. His wife glared at him.

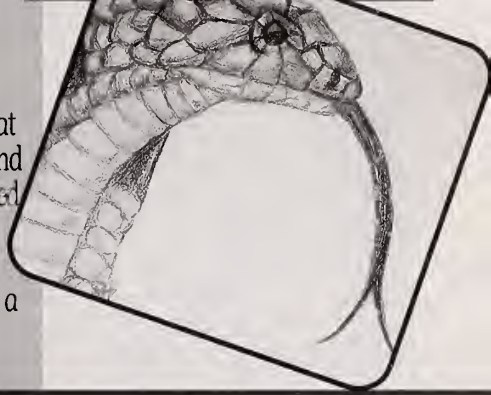
Boy, I thought, if looks could kill the cleanup crew would be mopping that guy up off the floor right about now. The man didn't exactly melt on the spot, but he squirmed a little. The child remained silent, twisting a brown curl around her finger.

"For God's sakes, what do you think you are? A saint?" They had stopped beside a bench to my right and I was preparing to intervene – it looked as though it would come to blows.

"Do you think you're an angel?!" His accusation died off and there was blessed silence for a moment. A moment. "Alison, what are you doing?"

I followed his gaze to the child. She had climbed atop the bench and now stood behind her mother, running her pudgy hands over the woman's back. She looked up at her father, her blue eyes wide.

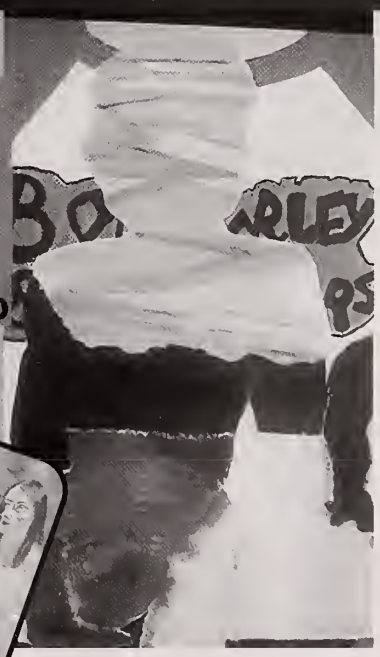
"Looking for wings."



Arabian Nights

Rebecca-Rose Loeb

In the deepest shadows of the ebony courtyard
He lies in wait, ready to spring
His every muscle taut
But his soft black tail waving slightly
Seduced by the soft breeze riding off the sea
The Arabian moon high overhead
Gently illuminating the sweet orange groves
Which screen him from the puerile lunar moths
Who bathe in the soft lavender light of the lantern
He spies a sliver of movement
Across the dark coloured flagstone
His clawed paw is like lighting
As he seizes up his prize
He is triumphant
As he pads softly back to the palace
Morning has broken, as it always does.



Old Girls BBQ

On the 27th the grads were initiated into the Old Girls' Association. Together they planted a tree in front of the school.

Dog Day, May 8th

Dog That Can Sit The Longest
Elmwood 2004

Keller day May 6th

03-04 May

Carnival Day!

House Letters

Museum Visits

denim day May 11th

Head of Keller, Anais Kadian

What a great year. Each one of you had such school spirit and enthusiasm and I was very proud to be a part of such a great group of people and such an amazing house. Our annual Dog Day fundraiser was held Saturday May 8th 2004, supporting the Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind, our house charity. This exciting morning of games, 11 legged races, canine-competitions, great food, and prizes allowed us to raise $600 and donate it to the CGDB to support our dog in training, Elm. Congratulations for all of your participation in house events and for making our house such a great success. It was amazing to see students, from Kindergarten to Grade 12, and their teachers fully dressed in Keller's baby blue gear, cheering, playing, and competing during our various spirit days and sports afternoons. Keller even won the Middle School Topsy Turvy Day obstacle race. In the Junior School, Keller House won a Special House Day for raising the most items during the warm clothing and food drive. Thank you Keller for providing me with a whole year of fun. Keep your great smiles and remember, Fair Play.

TACO

Common-Wealth

From the 3rd-7th, Morgen Smith, Caroline Boyle, Katie Bifield, and Kaylyn Fraser attended the 32nd annual NSCF conference.

Parliament Hill

Medieval Times

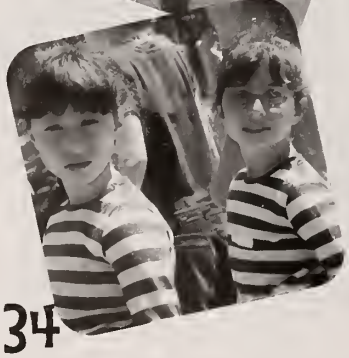
Sports banquet

Sports Captain, Lo Pitfiel

A WOO-HOO!! Another fun-filled, successful and busy athletic year comes to an end. From golf to basketball to waterpolo to rugby, our Elmwood Eagles brought home medals as proof of their hard work and dedication. SPIRIT was absolutely amazing this year, as two of the best Sports Days EVER were run by the grads, and House League saw the introduction of "Muggle Quidditch" for the very first time. The pressure is on for Wilson, Keller and Fry to bring back the cup as Nightingale captured the title for two Sports Days in a row! I had a great time as Sports Captain this year, thanks to the P.E. staff, the coaches and all the athletes. GIRLS IN THE WOOD!

03-04 May

Sports Day



This spring's sports day, organized by the grads, was wonderful. The teams headed out to the field in crazy colourful clothing. Games included; the reverse dunk tank, catching water balloons with a towel, and tug of war. The best part of course being the spirit and the candy. After a long fun day, Nightingale won the cup. Congratulations everyone!

Awards

hysical Education Award - Katie Bifield
aynard Sportsmanship Cup - Cabrey Grey, Victoria Metz
unlop Intermediate Sports Cup - Courtney Smith,
lizabeth Wilson, Karlye Wong
ilson Senior Sports Cup - Alexandra Duret, Laure Pitfield
auquier Cup - Karin McDowell
ody MacLaren Cup - Charlotte MacKenzie
onour Athletic Award - Anneka Bakker, Karin McDowell
rowdy Weir - Anneka Bakker
ports Captain - Laure Pitfield
reat Yoi Honour Athletic Award - Alexandra Duret,
aure Pitfield

Sports assembly

Welcome to the new prefects!

Pie the prefects

The Parting picnic

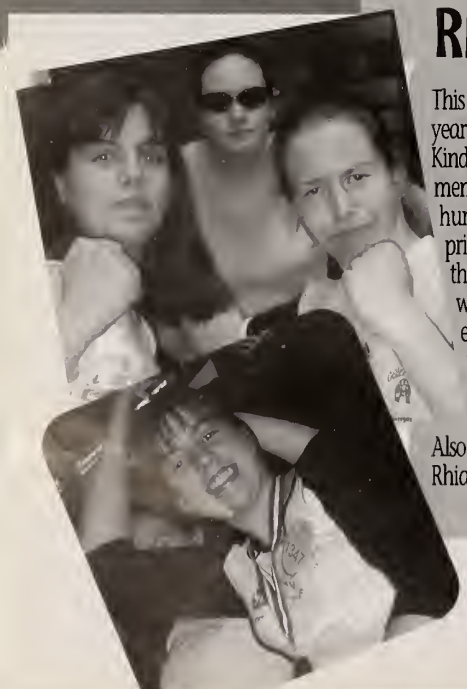
Under clear blue skies, with a gentle breeze to cool us, the staff and students of the Junior School spent a magical day at Bearbrook Farms on Friday, 4 June. While one group of children – food bags in hand – petted and fed llamas, emus, goats, ostriches, deer, bison, wild boars and turkeys, a second group toured the farm in the hay wagon, waving to friends from their lofty height! A lunch of venison burgers, french fries and grape juice restored the children's energy to enjoy the activities in the play yard. Following an Elmwood tradition, the grade 5 graduates received congratulations and a gift from the head of Junior School, Mrs. Carole Schmidt, before boarding the buses to return to school. It was a perfect day – a great way to end another school year and to spend the day with Mrs. Schmidt before her retirement.

June

Junior School prefect, Rhiannon Derbyshire

This year, I had the chance to be Prefect for the Junior School. Throughout this year I had the chance to organize events for the Junior School, such as the Kindergarten Sports Days and the Halloween Party. The Halloween party was memorable and especially because of the fact that in one afternoon over one hundred and thirty children turned into to witches, monsters, hockey players, princesses, wild animals and many other creations that showed their creativity to the fullest extent. The Kindergarten Sports days were my chance to spend time with the Kindergartens and be shown how much energy they really have. To everyone, who made my year so much fun and full of wonderful memories, thank you.

Good Luck to all of you next year, you will do well, remember to reach for the stars as you will be able to do anything that you put your mind to. Also good luck to Laura, the new Junior School Prefect. You will have a blast.
Rhiannon Derbyshire



Father Dinner

Junior School Closing

ouse Awards

use points are given for academic performance, lead-hip responsibilities, athletic participation, member-p in clubs, and for helpful and co-operative behav-r. Students who have accumulated 150 points by ade 5 are awarded the Emerald "E".

is year, the following students are awarded the Emer-l "E" for their academic achievement, participation, thusiasm and spirit.

Juliet Caragianis
Julia Fottinger
Victoria Loeb
Heather McDonald
Priya Wadhera
Irena Wight

Outstanding achievement in all areas

4 - Sophie Bérubé
4 - Anisha Dhalla
4 - Emma Regan
5 - Heather McDonald
5 - Priya Wadhera

Subject Awards

nglish 5 - Sarah Bouzanis

rench 5 - Maggie Murray

nformation Studies 5 - Julia Fottinger

Math 5 - Charlotte O'Neill

Music 5 - Ailsa Craigen

hysical and Health Education 5 - Célyna Arnold

cience 5 - Sonya Ruddy

ocial Science 5 - Raina Wilcox

ciences Sociales 5 - Victoria Loeb

PFA Award

Presented to the student who has demonstrated through voluntary activity a sense of civic responsibility, a spirit of co-operation and a commitment to school life and the continued success of Elmwood.

Sonya Ruddy

MacLean Prize

Awarded to the outstanding student in the Junior School best demonstrating proficiency in English Literature, particularly in the field of poetry.

Heather McDonald
Runner up - Anisha Dhalla

Middle School Closing

Merit Awards

Grade 6

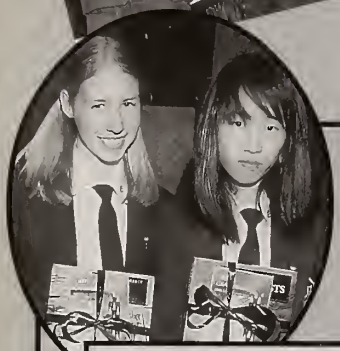
Haley Abugov
Emily Alexander
Julia Churchill-Smith
Julia E
Rachel Garbutt
Megan Grey
Laura Haebe
Katherine Hales
Natalie Haydon
Amanda Lewis
Rachel Liu
Kerry McInnes
Jaclyn McMurray
Caroline Mierins
Monica Mikhaiel
Vanessa Mziray
Nimrat Obhi
Kelly O'Connor
Natalie Ogonek
Eva Palumbo
Jocelyn Sevigny
Jennifer Shepherd
Silya Shenassa
Emily Soussana
Caroline Tong
Rebecca Wilson
Maria Zarakhani

Grade 7

Hayley Arnold
Marisa Ashley
Alicia Bartlett
Sara Bastianelli
Emily Baxter
Katherine Belley
Laurie Biewald
Justine Boomer
Alexandra Brown
Angelica Boyle
Maria Elena Clark
Maggie Cogger-Orr
Meagan Cork
Sarah Corkery
Charlotte MacKenzie
Sarah Coyne
Sophia Dhalla
Sonya D'Silva
Toni Duval
Anita E
Larissa Fulop
Caroline Garel-Jones
Helena Haugli
Julianne Hjartarson
Marie Hoftun-Jaeger
Lindsey Hunt
Sandy Kechichian
Sophia Lal
Danika Leminski
Katherine McDonald
Genevieve McSpaden
Alison Miller
Meredith Moore
Sarah Nouraeyan
Amrita Pal
Rebecca Park
Raisa Patel
Kate Portner-Gartke
Nikola Ruddy
Joanna Schembri
Jane Scholes
Sarah Shaikhali
Christine Soong
Rachel Stein
Julie Sutton
Bronwyn Thomson
Sonya Wadhera
Jasmine You

Grade 8

Dana Achtemichuk
Anneka Bakker
Riyaz Basi
Prashanthi Baskaran
Andrea Bennett
Nicolle Bonar
Hilary Brown
Julia Campbell
Nicole Campbell
Shamila Charania
Rebecca Cheff
Nicola Childs-Adams
Megan Cody
Rachel Currie
Kylie Flynn
Kimberly Fung
Stephanie Fung
Sophie Goss
Maja Greenspon
Stephanie Hunt
Rachel Hutchinson
Elizabeth Kelly
Erin Kerr
Rebecca LeFevre
Valerie Lemelin
Jennifer LePan
Brittany Lewis
Samantha Lindsay
Rebecca Rose Loeb
Alanna Mar
Anita Malik
Samantha Lamontagne
Alexis Martineau
Karin McDowell
Kaleigh McMurray
Krina Merchant
Sarah Merkley
Charlotte Pattee
Talia Poleski
Isabella Price
Vera Qi-Lin
Jasmine Rasuli
Olivia Scott
Anisha Sinha
Rachel Witherspoon
Katie Yelle



Academic Awards

Art - Rachel Garbutt
Creativity - Vanessa Morgan-Mziray
Drama - Cleo Clatney
English - Natalie Ogonek
French - Rebecca Wilson
Humanities - Katherine Hales
Humanités - Julia Churchill-Smith
Mathematics - Emily Soussana
Music - Emily Alexander
Physical Education - Jacki McMurray
Science - Caroline Mierins
Overall Effort and Progress - Jocelyn Sevigny

Art - Sarah Corkery
Creativity - Rebecca Park
Drama - Alison Miller
English - Sophia Dhalla
French - Helena Haugli
German - Amrita Pal
Humanités - Joanna Schembri
Humanities - Nikola Ruddy
Latin - Larissa Fulop

Mathematics - Jasmine You
Music - Katherine Belley
Physical Education - Charlotte MacKenzie
Science, with special achievement in Mathematics - Rachel Stein
Spanish - Meagan Cork
McDonald Cup for Math Effort & Progress - Carmina Badani
Schultz Prize for Effort and Progress - Genevieve McSpaden

Art - Kimberly Fung
Latin - Kimberly Fung
Creativity - Krina Merchant
Drama - Cecilia Culver-Grey
English - Olivia Scott
German - Olivia Scott
French - Nikki Campbell
Geography - Nicolle Bonar
Géographie - Katie Yelle
Learning Strategies - Megan Co
Music - Sophie Goss
Spanish - Sophie Goss
Physical Education - Anneka Bakker

Science - Dana Achtemichuk
Mathematics - Rachel Hutchinson
Nancy Chance Prize for Englis
Rachel Hutchinson

Silver 'E'

Dana Achtemichuk
Anneka Bakker
Prashanthi Baskaran
Nicole Campbell
Megan Cody
Kylie Flynn
Rachel Hutchinson
Alanna Mar
Karin McDowell
Olivia Scott

Citizenship Award - Karin McDowell
Leader Cup - Samantha Lamontagne
Sportsmen Cup - Prashanthi Baskaran
Parents & Friends Association Award - Genevieve McSpaden

Secondary School Entrance Scholarship

Anneka Bakker, Prashanthi Baskaran, Hilary Brown, Nicolle Bonar, Shamila Charania, Rebecca Cheff, Megan Cody, Kylie Flynn, Sophie Goss, Rachel Hutchinson, Alanna Mar, Karin McDowell, Krina Merchant, Charlotte Pattee, Anisha Sinha, Rachel Witherspoon

Merit Awards

Senior School Closing

Grade 9

Sarah Black
Emily Cork
Alexandra DeForge
Alexandra Fottinger
Clare Funston
Emma Godmere
Miriam Goubran
Sarah Groves
Sydney Haughian
Malene Jaeger
Alicia Kerrigan
Keva Legault
Meaghan MacLean
Elizabeth Maffett
Emily Mattiussi
Christiane McGovern
Virginia McLaughlin
Diane Nakamura
Ishani Nath
Jane Reisman
Julia Renaud
Nicole Rosove
Selin Saatcioglu
Margaret Seaborn
Leanne Sharzer
Stephanie Shea
Elspeth Smallwood
Lucy Soudek
Sarah Taylor
Kacie Thompson
Erika Tilson
Alicia Timmons
Shauna Turney
Margo Vachon
Lillian Wallace
Larissa Zajac

Grade 10

Rebecca Allen
Nazik Amdiss
Jessica Batt-Sheehan
Alexandra Billings
Marna-Jean Brown
Virginia Brown
Sarah Buchan
Jennifer Cheetham
Megan Cheung
Gwendolyn Cowley
Williamina Deneault
Iris E
Ayla Fisk
Kerri Haynes
Stephanie Hjartarson
Erica Hoe
Katharine Howard
Elizabeth Howard
Christine Johnston
Teagan Jones
Caroline Kingston
Anne Kirvan
Rosemary Lazier
Christine Leduc
Lorena Mason
Anna McKay
Catherine Meehan
Isabelle Mercier
Alexandra Mierins
Mi Rae Park
Alexandra Pattee
Sarah Quinn
Parysa Salemi
Talia Sechley
Angela Skaff
Courtney Smith
Blair Stein
Nora Sultan
Jessica Thompson
Laura Thurlow
Sandra van der Jagt
Kyla Weinman
Elizabeth Wilson
Karlye Wong

Grade 11

Maryam Al-Ali
Jaye Appotive
Stephanie Arsenijevic
Ayesha Basi
Katie Bifield
Caroline Boyle
Maja Campara
Laura Doubleday
Alix Dudley
Sara Duplancic
Kaylyn Fraser
Alexa Gendron-O'Donnell
Genna Giampaolo
Eva Hitschfeld
Chawha Hong
Laura Kerrigan
Kathleen King
Jade Legault
Karen Leung
Nicola Lightstone
Alexandra McClenahan
Hannah McGechie
Marielle McGovern
Kristina Medow
Katherine Morrison
Sandra Sharpe
Morgen Smith
Khadeejah Sultan
Jessica White
Sarah Yan
Abanti Zakaria

Academic Awards

Academic Excellence Award
Music and French,
with special mention for History and Science - Margo Vachon
Academic Excellence Award
Science, with special mention for Civics, Healthy Active Living, History, and Mathematics - Jane Reisman
Academic Excellence Award,
with special mention for Career Studies, French, Healthy Active Living and History - Christiane McGovern
Dramatic Arts (ADA1O) - Emma Godmere
Career Studies (GLC2O) - Emma Godmere
Visual Arts (AVI1O) - Larissa Zajac
Geography (CGC1D) - Diane Nakamura
Geographie (CGC1DF) - Miriam Goubran
History (CHC2D) - Ishani Nath
History - Civics (CHV2O) - Alexandra Fottinger
English (ENG1D) - Clare Funston
French (FEF1D) - Lillian Wallace
Latin (LVLAD) - Alexandra DeForge
Spanish (LWSBD) - Emily Cork
Principles of Mathematics (MPM1D) - Emily Cork
Applied Mathematics (MFM1P) - Margaret Seaborn
Healthy Active Living (PPL1O) - Selin Saatcioglu
Father Hoy Prize - Imke Scholz

Academic Excellence Award
for French and Histoire
with special mention for Art and Science - Laura Thurlow
Academic Excellence Award
for German, with special mention for
Communications Technology, History and Science - Talia Sechley
Academic Excellence Award,
with special mention for
Communications Technology, English
Healthy Active Living, Mathematics and Science - Karlye Wong
Academic Excellence Award,
with special mention for
Communications Technology, English,
French, Healthy Active Living and Mathematics - Sarah Buchan
Academic Excellence Award,
with special mention for Art,
Communications Technology,
Healthy Active Living, Mathematics and Science - Iris E
Dramatic Arts (ADA3M) - Sandra van der Jagt
Principles of Mathematics (MPM2D) - Sandra van der Jagt
Music (AMU3M) - Jennifer Cheetham
Visual Arts (AVI3M) - Ayla Fisk
French (FSF2D) - Christine Johnston
Science (SNC2D) - Christine Johnston
Spanish (LWSCU) - Christine Leduc
Math – Functions & Relations (MCR3U) - Mi Rae Park
Applied Mathematics (MFM2P) - Zoe Anderson
Healthy Active Living (PPL2O) - Elizabeth Wilson
Chemistry (SCH3U) - Marna-Jean Brown
Communications Technology (TGJ3M) - Alexandra Billings
Latin (LVLBU) - Rosemary Lazier
The Rothwell Prize for English (ENG2D) - Rosemary Lazier
Fiona Nicolson Creativity Prize - Lucy Hemmings

Academic Excellence Award for
highest marks in Chemistry, English,
History, Mathematics and Theatre Arts - Laura Doubleday
Academic Excellence Award for Philosophy,
with special mention for Biology, English,
French, History and Mathematics - Katherine Morrison
Academic Excellence Award,
with special mention for Chemistry, English,
French, History, Mathematics and Physics - Alix Dudley
Theatre Arts (ADA4M) - Sara Duplancic
Music (AMU4M) - Maja Campara
History (CHA3U) - Hannah McGechie
Math – Functions (MCF3M) - Hannah McGechie
Economics (CIE3M) - Alexa Gendron-O'Donnell
French (FEF3U) - Eva Hitschfeld
Spanish (LWSDU) - Eva Hitschfeld
French (FSF3U) - Laura Kerrigan
Classical Civilization (LVV4U) - Jessica White
Math – Personal Finances (MBF3C) - Genna Giampaolo
Healthy Active Living (PPL3O) - Katie Bifield
Biology (SBI3U) - Alexandra McClenahan
Communications Technology (TGJ4M) - Maryam Al-Ali
Physics (SPH3U) - Khadeejah Sultan
McKee Fine Arts Cup - Khadeejah Sultan
Keary-Taylor Theatre Arts Prize - Katherine Morrison
Grace E. Knowlton Prize for Progress - Jaye Appotive
Carolyn Strauss Poetry Award - Dominique Alexander
Heacock Creativity Prize (AVI4M) - Caroline Boyle
Samara Editor's Award - Caroline Boyle and Morgen Smith
Judy and Margot Toller Memorial Award - Hannah McGechie and Sarah Yan

Scholarships

Alexandra Billings, Marna-Jean Brown, Megan Cheung, Erica Hoe, Anne Kirvan, Rosemary Lazier, Alexandra Mierins, Sarah Quinn, Talia Sechley, Courtney Smith, Blair Stein, Jessica Thompson, Sandra van der Jagt, Elizabeth Wilson
Old Girls' Scholarship - Sarah Buchan
Campeau Foundation Scholarship - Laura Thurlow
Norma Davies Scholarship - Lorena Mason
Milena Sigmund Scholarship - Jennifer Cheetham
The Margaret White Scholarship - Neuczki Mathurin

Golden 'E' Award

Christina Amundsen
Katie Crysdale
Alexandra Duret
Anais Kadian
Victoria Metz
Julie Pickering
Laure Pitfield
Anneka Richmond
Nicole Sleeth

Special Mention
(above and beyond)
to Rhiannon
Derbyshire

Grade 12 Awards

Introduction to Int'l Business (BBB4M) - Nadia Ham Pong and Nicole Sleeth
Canadian/World Issues (CGW4U) - Emma Roberts
Economics (CIA4U) - Katja Scholz
German (LWGDU) - Katja Scholz
Canadian/International Law (CLN4U) - Anais Kadian
French (FEF4U) - Anais Kadian
French (FEF4U) - Laurence Mouttham
Literature (ETS4U) - Anne Murphy
French (FSF4U) - Caterina Meinardi
Math – Data Management (MDM4U) - Caterina Meinardi
Math – Functions & Calculus (MCB4U) - Samira Salari
Geometry & Discrete Math (MGA4U) - Ridhi Davada
Chemistry (SCH4U) - Ridhi Davada
Exercise Science (PSE4U) - Alexandra Duret
Biology (SBI4U) - Sarah McDonald
Physics (SPH4U) - Heather Armstrong
Music Performance - Rhiannon Derbyshire
Theatre Production Award - Anne Murphy
Challenge & Change in Society (HSB4M) - Stephanie Ramsay
Philpot Science Prize - Stephanie Ramsay
Outerbridge Cup for Senior Mathematics - Marion Liang
Elizabeth Davis Prize for English (ENG4U) - Claire van Koughnett
Whitwill History Prize (CHY4U) - Julie Pickering
Wallack Art Award - Jessica Loeb
Outstanding Effort Award - Alison Westington
Linda McGregor Technology Award - Laure Pitfield
Parents & Friends Association Award - Sarah McDonald
Mitchell Thomas Award - Rhiannon Derbyshire
Vice-Principal's Leadership Award for Initiative
Emma Allen, Caroline Hunt, Sarah Pelow-Charbonneau, Julie Pickering, Hope Villeneuve
University of Toronto National Book Award - Anais Kadian
Canadian Merit Scholarship Foundation Citation - Anais Kadian
Governor General's Academic Medal - Anais Kadian
Bruce Hicks Award for Public Service - Anais Kadian

Great Yoi Honour Athletic Award - Alexandra Duret and Laure Pitfiel
Margaret White Cup - Caroline Hunt
Ewing Cup for Character - Mary Jane Tingley
Head of School Prize - Mary Jane Tingley
All-Round Contribution to School Life - Rhiannon Derbyshire
Duke of Edinburgh Program Gold Award
Anais Kadian, Lauren MacLean, Anneka Richmond, Samira Salari
Old Girls House Motto
Nominees: FRY (Friendship for All) - Jaye Appotive, KELLER (Fair Play) Katie Bifield, NIGHTINGALE (Not For Ourselves Alone) - Ayesha Ba WILSON (To Give Ourselves & Never Count The Cost) - Alexandr McClenahan
WINNER – Alexandra McClenahan
Prefect Awards
- Sports Captain - Laure Pitfield
- Prefect at Large - Katie Crysdale
- Junior School Prefect - Rhiannon Derbyshire
- Admissions Prefect - Nicole Sleeth
- FRY - Mary Jane Tingley
- KELLER - Anais Kadian
- NIGHTINGALE - Julie Pickering
- WILSON - Lauren MacLean

House Cup for Overall Achievement in all areas
Nightingale (Julie Pickering – House Head)
Philpot Token
First awarded in 1934 by Elmwood's founder, Mrs. Hamlet Philpot, f cheerful help, loyal support and effective leadership throughout t school body this year.
Ali Duret
Summa Summarum
Awarded to the senior girl who has tried most faithfully to live up the ideals and best traditions of the School and who possesses the qu ties of integrity, trustworthiness, the spirit of comradeship and the pacity to achieve. The winner's name to be added to the illustrious in the atrium.
Anneka Richmond

GRaduation

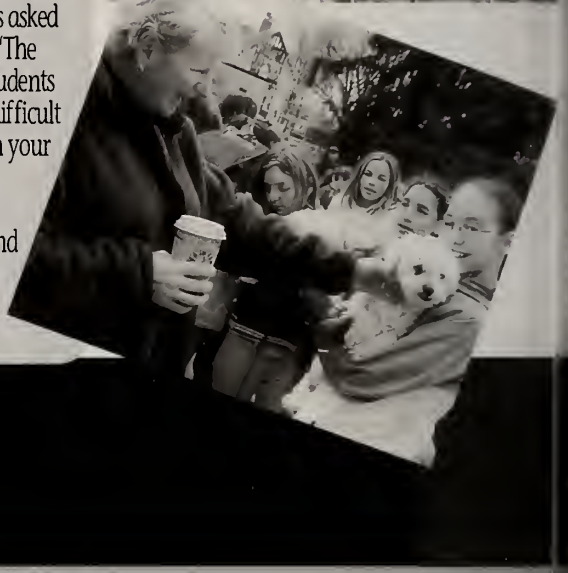
Mrs. Linda McGregor

Mrs. Linda McGregor came to Elmwood in 1982 to teach math and to be the homeroom teacher of Grade 7. Over the years she has been the heart and soul of Elmwood, first as a teacher of math, science and business, and later as Head of the Junior School, Vice-Principal of Academic Life, and Director of Curriculum and Technology. During this time, she received a B.Ed. in Computers in Education, a M.Ed. in Psychopedagogy from the University of Ottawa, and she is currently working on her Ph.D. in Education.

To her we owe an immeasurable debt. She is a time-tabling genius fitting the needs of an expanding student population into a finite number of classrooms. With precision and ease, she has guided us through the transition from the Ontario five-year programme to the new four-year curriculum, while still maintaining the integrity of the International Baccalaureate programme. With the help of the technology team, she organized and facilitated the implementation of the laptop programme and of the Elmwood Edge, planned the renovation and rewiring of classrooms, and put into place the training of teachers and students. Through her efforts, students and teachers have benefited enormously, and Elmwood has become a model for the excellence of its technology programme. In one *Samara* profile, Linda admitted that in high school she had actually planned to be a doctor. "The only reason I wanted to be a teacher when I was little was because I wanted to have lots of paper. Being a teacher was to control the paper." It is ironical, therefore, that her legacy will lead, we hope, to the consumption of less paper as a result of the evolution of technology in the school.

We will remember Linda for all these accomplishments, but first and foremost we will remember her for her devotion and concern for students, for their families, and for the staff. Several years ago, she was asked by a *Samara* interviewer what was the most rewarding part and the worst part of her job? She replied, "The close contact with the children. Children are the best part. The worst part is unhappiness: either when students are unhappy, or teachers or parents are unhappy and you can't see your way clear to changing it. It's difficult sometimes to make things right." Somehow, Linda has been always able to make it right. With Linda in your corner, you *knew* that things would work out in the end.

The Elmwood community will miss Linda very much indeed. We shall miss her extraordinary problem-solving skills, her level-headedness, her compassion, her friendship. We wish her every success and happiness as the new Deputy Head of St. Margaret's School in Victoria.



03-04

FareWells

Mrs. Carole Schmidt

She's a wife, a mother, a grandmother, an educator, a leader, mentor, a colleague, a friend, a 'Chief." How do you say good-b to someone like Carole Schmidt? She has been a part of the life Elmwood for 27 years – she's definitely a vital part of the Elmwo tradition. It's hard to imagine Elmwood School without her. She h had an impact on the lives of hundreds of students, both as teacher and as a Junior School Vice Principal. Mrs. Schmidt is kind, considerate, competent, and wise woman. She will be grea missed by her Junior School students and staff.

Bring on retirement Mrs. Schmidt – let there be CAKE!

Mrs. Cindi Bates

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Ms. Cindi Bates, who has been the Vice Principal of School Life at Elmwood since 2001. For he last 3 years Ms. Bates has overseen all of the extracurricular activities with the emphasis on athletics. Ms. Bates arrived with a strong elief and desire to involve as many girls as possible in athletics and in leadership, and she certainly has achieved these goals. A great umber of volunteer and leadership opportunities have been developed, and some key ones include the peer helper program, student's ouncil, and the encouragement of students to create their own leadership opportunities. Students responded well to this challenge and we aw new activities/events ranging from a landmine awareness breakfast to a Harry Potter club!

Ms. Bates' love of sports and her desire to involve as many girls as possible in sport has also been evident. She recruited Bob Butler to oach our senior basketball team, and she helped to coach the grade 6 and 7/8 basketball teams. This past year Ms. Bates coached no less han 4 volleyball teams – a tremendous and time-consuming undertaking! She could be seen working out in Elmwood's Fitness room at :30 a.m. then she would proceed to a 7:00 a.m. practice, then on to a tournament during the school day, another practice after school, nd on to more tournaments on many weekends!

Ms. Bates – thank you for your wonderful enthusiasm, endless energy and boundless initiatives you have brought to Elmwood. Your enuine interest in students, their activities and their lives has been appreciated. We have all benefited from your expertise, and will always emember your philosophy – 'if you can dream it, you can do it'!

Good luck in the future, and we wish you happiness always. You have been an asset to Elmwood and we all will miss you!

Ms. Elizabeth Milligan

When Liz Milligan came to Elmwood five years ago to teach Art, English and Phys. Ed., the Middle School did not exist. In 2000, she egan a very successful career as Elmwood's very first Middle School Vice Principal. Her vision, high energy, and hard work have ade the Middle School the success that it is today.

Ms. Milligan is probably most proud of her promotion of charities within the Middle School. For example, working with the hepherds of Good Hope, she began the tradition of sponsoring a needy family at Christmas. Every year, Ms. Milligan has led a roop of students and teachers on an expedition to buy Christmas presents, and to cook, and deliver, Christmas dinner to the family

Her work in community service is also notable: for example, she instituted a partnership with York Street Public School, and has een involved in many book drives, as well as drives for warm clothing and food.

While she has always worked closely with the Senior Prefects, her interest in student leadership led to the creation of Middle School eadership positions. Ms. Milligan is a superb counselor to the students. She has comforted them when they cried, attended their ance recitals, and cheered their achievements in Assembly. Despite the long hours she put in, she always found time to bake ookies for the students. She will be remembered, and missed, for her big smile, her kindness, and her tremendous enerosity.

In her first year at Elmwood, Ms. Milligan was a grade 8 homeroom teacher. She has maintained a close relationship with the tudents from her home form, many of whom are in this year's graduating class. There is a fitting irony in the fact that, as Ms. Milligan leaves Elmwood for other horizons, she graduates with her first homeroom class. We know that like them, she will achieve reat things. We wish her all the best.

Mrs. Jennifer Faguy

Mrs. Jennifer Faguy came to Elmwood in 1982 and over the years she has taught English, History, some French, and even grade seven Band. Her life before Elmwood saw her teaching at the Ghana International School and at the Ecole Normale, University of Yaounde.

She has wisely guided the senior English programme through the many curriculum visions that have come down from Toronto. Her direction of the Literacy Testing Program has allowed our students to achieve one of the highest standards in Ontario. Jennifer's commitment to Elmwood's International Baccalaureate programme is absolute. She has nurtured the School and our students into an enviable status within the IB community. Through her efforts, students and staff have benefited from her expertise and the training that she has put in place.

We will remember Jennifer for her "too-numerous-to-count" contributions to Elmwood's development: her development of the memorable Stratford Trip quizzes, her precise preparations for the Literacy Test, her unfailing support for Wilson House Days, her coordination of the Social Functions for Staff events, her direction of the Prefects in their leadership opportunities, the consideration and guidance that she gave her OAC Homeroom classes, her heartfelt and spontaneous commentaries on the involvement of "leaving" staff, her willingness to listen and then give the necessary counsel to us all, but, most of all, we will miss your knowing smile and friendship. However, we would be remiss if we did not mention her IB "rocks"...each lovingly chosen and artfully prepared to embody the individual character of her Diploma students who received them in a pre-exam ceremony that delighted and calmed every recipient.

The Elmwood community and staff will miss Jennifer with every passing day. We wish you a quiet and restful retirement as you enter the next phase of your life.

03-04

FareWells

Mr. Mark Whitwill

Mark Whitwill has been a steadying influence at Elmwood for forty years. Initially Mark came to be part of the Elmwood commun when his mother, Mrs. Joan Whitwill, became a teacher at Elmwood in 1 and later served as Elmwood's sixth Headmistress from 1969 through 19 He started working part-time learning the trade from his mentor, Mr. Ja Kerkoele, who taught him the value of a job well done. Mark's handiwo has been a part of the care staff for the last twenty-three years. The stud have always felt comfortable with Mark's quiet helpfulness.

His dry sense of humour greeted the staff every morning and his amazingly subtle impersonations kept us grounded. Mark was an origin Marathon Man as he entered, and completed, twenty-some marathons across Canada and the eastern part of the United States. Samara has oft benefited from his expert knowledge and abilities with a camera. Mark also generously volunteered to video many of Elmwood's theatrical produ tions and these momentoes are treasured keepsakes for the performers.

In his retirement Mark plans to travel across Canada visiting family and friends – his twin, John, lives near Sudbury, his younger sister Sarah lives in Chelsea, while his older sister Mary Lou lives in Victoria. Mark, w shall miss your witty observations and sage commentaries on life here a Elmwood. We wish you all the happiness and joy that life has to offer that you so richly deserve.

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Senior Prefect, Ali Duret

"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened." ~Dr. Seuss~

This last year of high school has been memorable because of the people who have shared it with me. I enjoyed having the opportunity to organize events that are important to the student body and keep Elmwood traditions going strong. I have loved my time at Elmwood and am having a hard time believing that it is over. Elmwood had provided me with an opportunity to grow as a person over the past 6 years. I have met some amazing people in my time here and know that they will go far. To my friends – thank you for all the good times. I will remember all of the memories forever. Thanks for your support all year. To my sister – I'm going to miss you so much next year. You have an amazing character that never ceases to amaze me. Have a great year next year. To my parents – I love you both, thank you for being such great role models. Anneka – I have enjoyed working with you all year. We had great times making capes, and organizing events. Good luck next year in Scotland. Come back and visit. To all my teachers, thank you for believing in me. Your support and encouragement mean so much to me. I have loved Elmwood and had A WHOLE LOT OF FUN. Good luck to next years graduating class and to the new prefects. Class of 2004, keep in touch and I'll miss you all.

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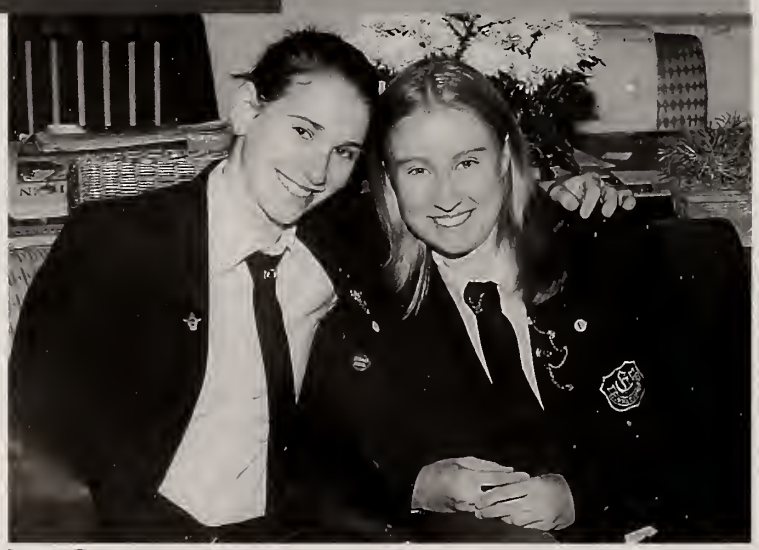
Valedictory



Mrs. McCormack, Governors, Mrs. Spence, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Milligan, Mrs. Schmidt, Dr. Kirby, staff, students, parents and friends- Good Evening.

Tonight, I stand before you, a daughter, a friend, a student, a head girl, but most importantly a proud member of the Elmwood community. Tonight will be my last address to you all as your head girl, and it has been my pleasure this year to represent such an exceptional group of young women, and such a dedicated and passionate faculty.

Those within the unique community of Elmwood will surely agree that the school h a remarkable atmosphere. Throughout my years at Elmwood, I have always been astounde by the spirit, life and joy of the girls. There is such creativity, curiosity and imagination in the school, and there has always been a supporting and encouraging environment. This is one of greatest gifts any student can hope for.

We are all tremendously lucky to be a part of the school, to be encouraged to drea to wonder and to question. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of the staff fo their roles in the development of the minds and souls of the girls at Elmwood. On behalf of t graduating class, a special thank you to the teachers and coordinators who played an import t role in the success of many of the girls on stage with me tonight. These ladies, dressed in whi symbolizing innocence – well, I don't know about that one, but they are a vision of talent, intelligence, determination and drive. Without the strength and support of many of the individuals you see before you tonight, I would not have been as successful in my own achievements. Grads of 2004, many of you have been with me since the beginning of my t here. You have shown me respect, compassion, friendship and trust. I love you all, will miss y all, and I know that you will continue to touch and inspire people, as you have me.

For the prefects of 2004, it has been my pleasure to have had the opportunity to work with you all. Your ideas, your ingenuity, loyalty, and spirit have enriched many long days. You have all shone, and contributed your uniqueness to the school. I would like to men my partner, my senior prefect, Ali. Your leadership has been incredible, and you have been inspiration to many, including myself. Without your dedication, patience and enthusiasm; countless theme days, spirit days, and student events would not have been so successful. Th you.

To next year's prefects, and especially next years head girl, Kate Bifield, I wish you luck. It is up to you to maintain the traditions and ensure the continuity of such treasured events in the school. I know you will all do a fabulous job. Remember, change is necessary,

Head Girl, Anneka Richmond

As I glance at previous yearbooks, I find myself wondering if there are any ideas or thoughts that I can express which have been unmentioned n this page over the years. Exploring the pages evokes rich memories of Elmwood that come flooding back, and I realize that I could never convey how uch of an influence this experience has been on my life.

The past five years have been filled with excitement, wonder, and thrill. The path I have traveled, the short yet complex road, has led me to rive at numerous conclusions. The experience of head girl has taught me a considerable amount about myself – mentally, physically and spiritually. It as been the most remarkable journey. With the help of the Elmwood family, I have been able to achieve my dreams and goals. I am thankful for the pport and encouragement I have found here. Being part of an environment such as Elmwood, dedicated to the education and nurturing of young omen, has been an honour.

I would like to thank all the staff who continue to fuel the imaginations of the students, who are responsible for providing the sparks to create fire, and who dedicate so much to Elmwood. I have truly never seen such passion and enthusiasm. The members of the Elmwood faculty are anything but ordinary, and I am grateful to have had the opportunity of being taught – in and out of the classroom – by such exceptional individuals.

"The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires." – William Ward.

I would like to extend an extra thank you to the following staff members. Ms. Bates, Dr. George, Ms. Kerluke, Mr. Main, Mrs. Marchand, and Is. Milligan - You have each inspired me in unique ways, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Of course, a school is not a school without its students!!! You girls are all truly fantastic people. Your strength, determination and courage is dmirable, and provides a solid foundation in your lives. There are no words to express my gratitude for the experience I have had with many of you, nd there is no need. All those who are a part of such a phenomenal institution can feel the power and the beauty within the walls on a daily basis. hank you to everyone – you have all enriched my life and taught me many valuable lessons.

adies, if there is anything I would like to leave you with, it is this:

1. Never underestimate the power of a smile
2. Never, never give up on your dreams. Believe in yourself – and others will follow.

his year has been filled with immense changes, and the school continues to develop and expand across many horizons. Leaving, as many others realize both students and staff – is difficult, yet as we know, all good things must come to an end. Elmwood has enhanced my life in many ways, and will lways be in my heart. As the year ends, closure is needed, and I find myself ready to leave. I have learned to reach out, embrace the future and dream reams beyond even my wildest dreams. I hope that all of your experiences at Elmwood have been and will continue to be as precious as mine. will miss you, and I wish you all the best in the future.

but complete transformations are not always appropriate or beneficial. There is something very important about leadership that I would like to note. To be a leader, there are times you must step back, listen and observe. The good leaders treat everyone equally, and they remember that there is no "I" in team.

There are several members of staff who have not only been a backbone for many, but have been beacons of light and role models for students and staff alike.

My dear Dr. Kirby, I have never met a finer educator. Your grace, your wisdom, and your knowledge has been a precious gift to Elmwood. For the future, I hope that the school will be as fortunate as has been previously. I will always value the insight you have given me, and I only wish that you were here beside me tonight.

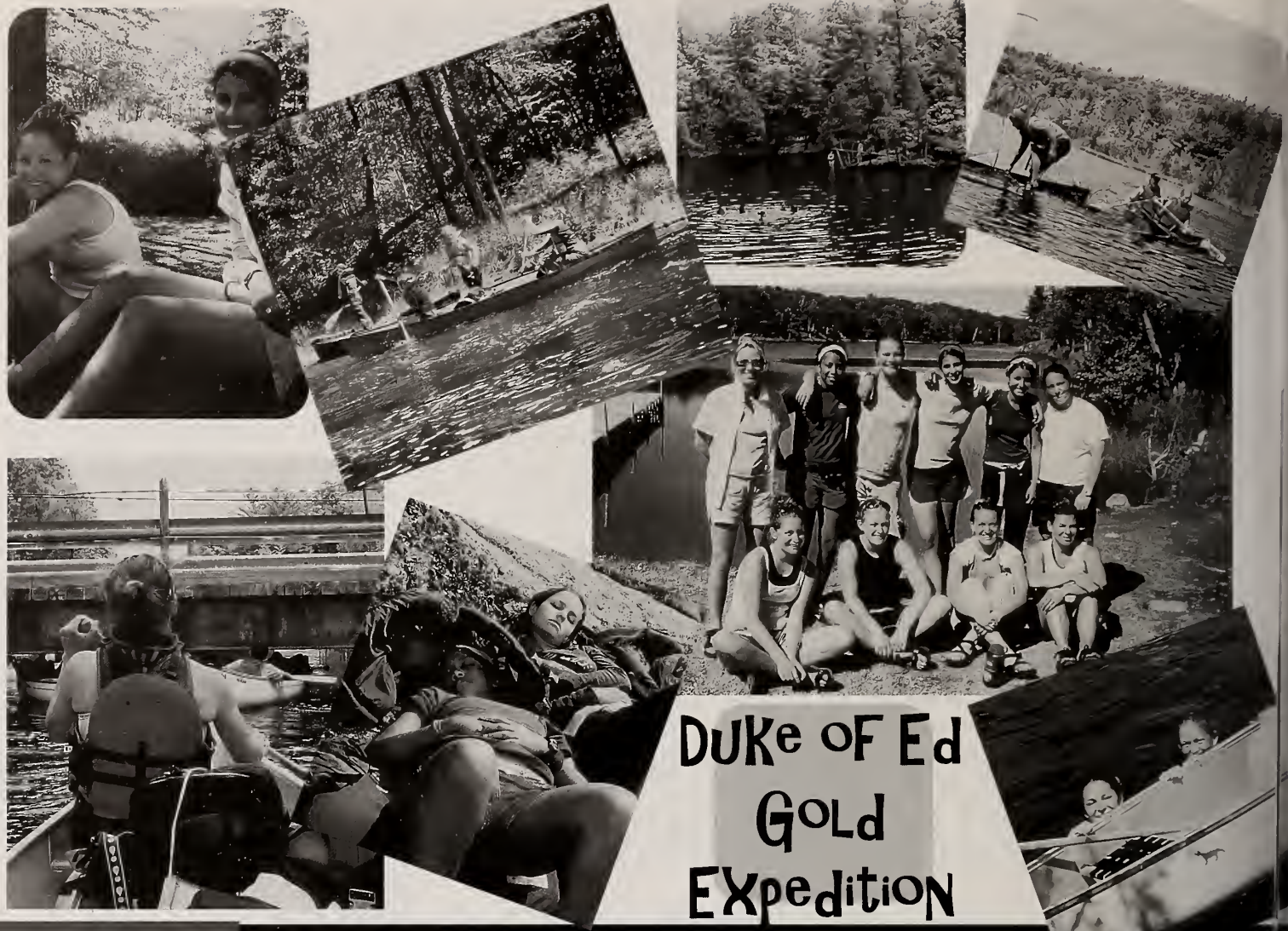
There are several goodbyes to recognize this evening. A farewell must be extended to Mrs. Schmidt, Mrs. Faguy, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Bates, and Mrs. Milligan. Mrs. Schmidt, the juniors will miss you, you have been a valuable asset to the administrative team. Mrs. Faguy, my rock, thank you once again for your efforts as an IB coordinator, a prefect liaison, and a teacher. Mrs. McGregor, your dedication to Elmwood is admirable, and is exceeded only by your kindness and your caring nature. Your kind words and comforting nods have been a positive source of strength for many. Mrs. Bates, I fear saying anything but "To be a pilgrim", and thank you for everything. Ms. Milligan, you have honestly given me the power to dive deep inside and create results. Thank you for believing in me. I couldn't have done it without you. Next year, Mrs. Spence will be overseeing a new administrative team, and we wish her all the best.

The final thank you I would like to make is that of the two people who have made all of my dreams, ambitions and achievements possible. Two very special and important people, who I would never be able to thank enough, my parents. We all owe our parents a thank you right now. Whether you are a member of the graduating class, or will be next year, or are still in the early stages of high school. Family, one of the most sacred bonds, is often overlooked. To my mother, I admire and respect you in so many ways, and can only hope that I become as strong a woman as you are. To my father, you are my inspiration. You have both always been there for me, and it means more than I will ever be able to express. You have been wonderful people, parents and friends, and I will be eternally grateful for all of your sacrifices.

The evening and year comes to a close, and I hope that all the students will be as fortunate to have the opportunity of experiencing something as wonderful and valuable as I have. The many lessons I have learned here have given me a solid foundation and my heart will always remain in part here.

As time goes by ladies, do not lose sight of your hopes and dreams, and above all, remember to enjoy the journey. Meeting you all has certainly made my journey more enjoyable. I invite you to join in this evening's celebrations, rejoice in both your and our achievements, and dream about the many to come. I wish you all the best in the future.

Thank you and good night.



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Looking Back at 03–04

Editors Page

03 - 04

Morgen Smith
Caroline Boyle

If you're bored on a rainy day
He're's a game that you should play
Turn the pages for a second look
We've hidden things throughout the book.

Dear Reader,

I hope you are enjoying your yearbook. We spent many a Saturday at school orking hard to bring you the best yearbook possible. While it was stressful at times, pecially when a whole day's work got deleted or was spent on one single page, we ve immensely enjoyed our time as editors of Samara and are proud to still be friends the end of the year. To Ms. Bradley, thank you for your dedication all year, for ringing us food, and for making sure that Samara has actually stayed in a book rm We didn't go too crazy did we? To Mr. McCabe for supporting our efforts and ways delivering much-needed pictures that prevented many a blank page. To Mrs. Cabe for sending us spectacular art. To Mme. Couture for making sure our lovely nior school was incuded and always taking amazing pictures. To Chad, thank you or making our ideas possible, no matter how crazy they always sounded. To Mrs. ilers for her work on the sports section and colour pages. To the people at Subway, hank you for always having a crew on hand ready for Saturdays and for making such good sandwiches. Thank you to everyone who gave in write-ups on time, you are rare species, and thank you to an even rarer species of dedicated Samara workers. Lastly, thank you to you, the reader, for buying and appreciating all of our hard work. Good luck to next year's editors: Jenny and Gwen. Thanks for all the great memories, s been fun.

Caroline and Morgen
Editors 03-04!

The Camera Slips....

Exchanges

Madame Millington, Talia Sechley, Caroline Kingston, Kirsten Boomer, Liz Howard.

Rotary Exchange Student: Ece Yagman

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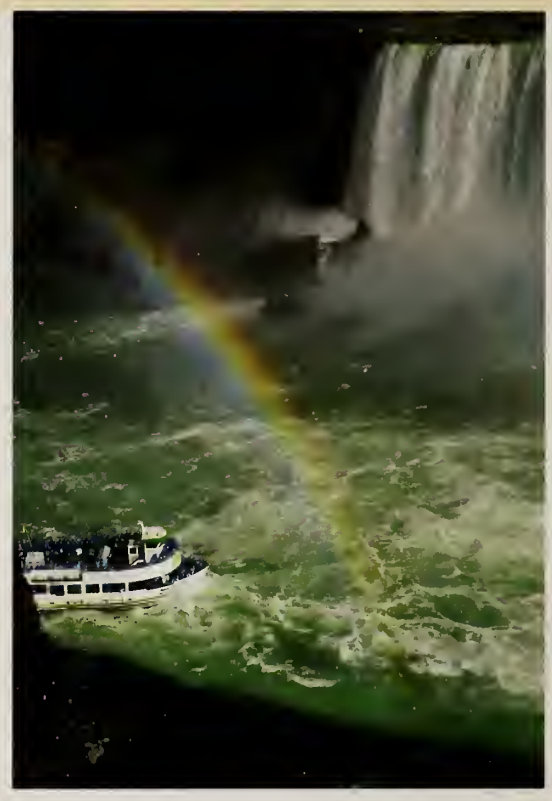
World Events

TOO HOT TO HANDLE. That was the case for many Europeans who suffered through a record heat wave that scorched the continent in August. Some 35,000 people died, mostly the elderly and chronically ill. In France alone, where temperatures soared to more than 40°C—and remained at these searing heights for two weeks—nearly 15,000 people died. (AP/Franck Prevel)

OPENING THEIR WALLETS. Tripling U.S. spending on AIDS programs overseas, George Bush pledged $15 billion over five years to treat and prevent the spread of the killer disease. According to the United Nations, 42 million people are infected with HIV worldwide—29 million in Africa alone. Twenty-five million around the world have died from AIDS, a number that is expected to rise to a total of 80 million by 2010. (AP/Aaron Favila)

PEACE AT LAST? Since their partition in 1947, the predominantly Hindu India and mainly Muslim Pakistan have gone to war three times and were on the brink of nuclear war in 2002. But major efforts, including historic meetings between the countries' two leaders, have inspired hope that stable peace may be at hand. One of the key roadblocks is the region of Kashmir—two-thirds of which is under Indian control even though a majority of its inhabitants are Muslim. (AP/Ajit Kumar)



CHARGED . . . WITH BEING STUPID. Kirk Jones of Canton, Mich., dove head first and is thought to be the first person to survive Niagara Falls without any protective device. After plunging 54 m down the Canadian side—known as Horseshoe Falls—Jones, 40, was apprehended by police and fined $4,000 for illegally performing a stunt. Witnesses said Jones was smiling in the moments before taking his giant leap of faith. (AP/David Duprey)

END OF A DICTATOR. Nine months after the fall of Baghdad, disposed Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein was captured in a spider hole, 180 km north of the capital. Known for his opulent palaces, Saddam was living in squalor—a filthy two-room shack—was armed with a pistol, but offered no resistance during his capture by U.S. forces. Categorized as a POW, Saddam will most likely be tried for crimes against humanity. (U.S. DOD)

E.T.? ARE YOU THERE? Unmanned rovers Spirit and Opportunity caused excitement back home with the photos they sent back from their visit to the red planet. The main purpose of the Mars exploration is to search for signs of water—and Opportunity knocked. The rover found water—drenched rocks, showing that life may have existed on the planet. (NASA)

MIRACLE AMID TRAGEDY. Nine days after a deadly earthquake struck Iran, a 97-year-old woman was pulled from the rubble—and asked for a cup of tea. Though Sharbanou Mazandarani weighed less than 30 kg, she was in good physical condition—despite going without water for more than a week. Sadly, Mazandarani was one of only a handful of survivors of the earthquake that measured 6.6 on the Richter scale and shattered the ancient city of Bam. More than 30,000 people died and another 15,000 were injured. (AP/Kamran Jebreili)

WHAT A PARTY. About 500,000 people crowded St. Peter's Square to celebrate Pope John Paul II's silver anniversary—one of the longest reigns atop the Catholic church in its 2,000-year history. The 83-year-old pontiff, known for his conservative views, is credited with playing a major role in the downfall of Communism, is the only Pope to set foot in a Mosque and was a vocal opponent of the war in Iraq. (REUTERS/Dylan Martinez)

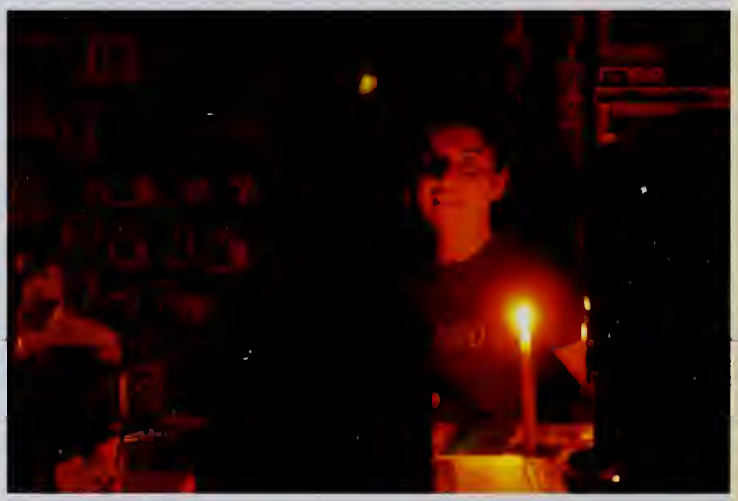
ALL DECKED OUT. Everything about the Queen Mary 2 is gargantuan. It's the largest (137,000 tonnes), longest (*345* m), tallest (70 m) and widest (39 m) passenger liner ever. It has 1,250 crew to serve 2,600 passengers. Equipped with the biggest movie theatre on water, a planetarium, casino and five swimming pools, it's no wonder the Queen Mary is also the most expensive cruise vessel at more than $1 billion. (REUTERS/Peter Macdiarmid)

ROYAL OVERTHROW. Throw pillows and wall colours were the last thing on style Queen Martha Stewart's mind after being convicted of conspiracy, obstruction of justice and two counts of making false statements in connection with the 2001 sale of her shares in a medical technology company. Stewart, who was found to have benefitted from insider information, faces up to 20 years in jail, but will appeal the conviction. (AP/Akira Ono)

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD. Screen star Arnold Schwarzenegger muscled his way into politics by becoming governor of California in a recall election. The 56-year-old Republican defeated Democratic incumbent Gov. Gray Davis and 133 other candidates, ranging from veteran politicians to former sitcom celebrities. When he promised, "I'll be back!" in *Terminator*, nobody could have guessed this. (AP/Marcio Jose Sanchez)

Canadian Events

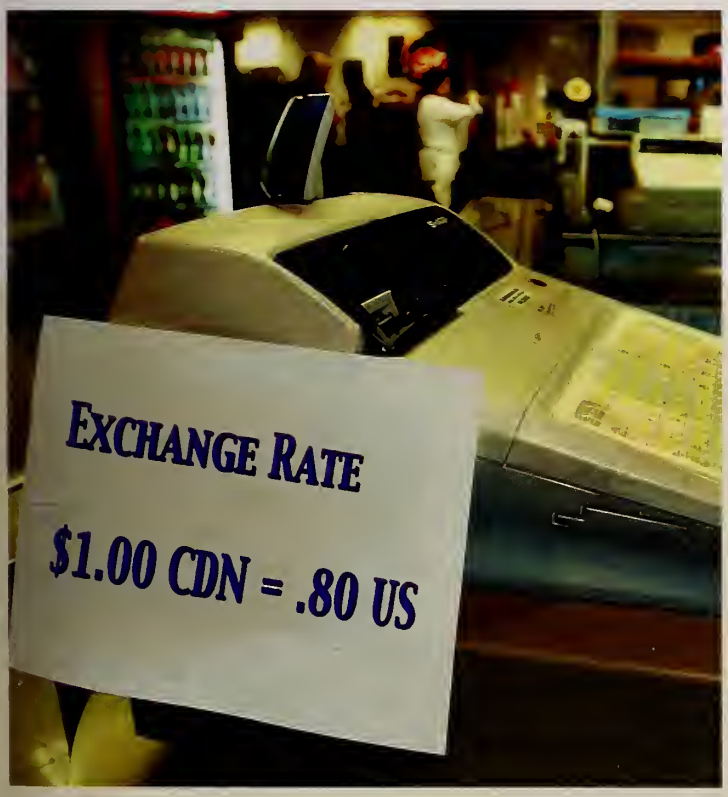
STILL PACKING THEM IN. Nearly 450,000 people braved temperatures that soared above 30° C at a Toronto airfield to watch the legendary Rolling Stones headline Canada's largest-ever rock concert. An effort to rejuvenate tourism in Toronto following the SARS outbreak, the show sparked international media attention for the city and also featured AC/DC, Justin Timberlake and Blue Rodeo. SARS killed 44 Canadians and inflicted $500 million damage on the Canadian economy. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)



WHO TURNED OFF THE LIGHTS. Fifty million people in Ontario and seven U.S. states were left in darkness after their highly interconnected power grid crashed last August. While the affected states largely regained generating capacity within 24 hours, millions of Ontarians were forced into a stringent conservation mode for a couple of weeks because eight of the province's 12 operational nuclear reactors were forced into full shutdown.
(MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

MEMORIES UP IN FLAMES. Towns and cities had to be evacuated as some 2,500 forest fires raised havoc throughout British Columbia. The fires, which damaged more than 266,000 hectares, will drain $545 million from the province's budget. In Kelowna alone, 238 homes burned down and 30,000 people had to be relocated. (CP/Rich Lam)

A DESTRUCTIVE PATH. What a weather year for the Maritimes, and Halifax in particular. First hurricane Juan's 160 km/h winds uprooted trees that crushed a pair of cars killing two people in the city. The Category Two storm, one of the most damaging in Nova Scotia history, left about 300,000 homes and businesses without power for days. Then came winter and a record blizzard dropping 90 cm on Halifax and forcing states of emergency in Nova Scotia and P.E.I. (CP/Andrew Vaughan)



LOONIE SPIKES. The Canadian dollar toyed with the 80-cent mark against the U.S. greenback and rose by a stunning 22 per cent in 2003. Though it increased our purchasing power and thus made imports cheaper, Canadian manufactured products and other exports became much more expensive—and less attractive on the foreign market. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

CRAZY COW HYSTERIA. Mad cow disease was detected in a single cow on an Alberta farm in May 2003, shutting Canadian beef out of the U.S. market and causing $3.3 billion in damages. And as things were starting to get somewhat back on track, another infected Canadian cow was discovered in January, further crippling the fragile industry. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

ON THE FIRING LINE. While Canada opted to stay out of Iraq, Ottawa pledged 1,900 troops to the NATO-led operation in Afghanistan. About 1,700 Canadian troops were deployed in Kabul, where seven members of the brave force had been killed in the line of duty by the end of February 2004. (CP/Tom Hanson)

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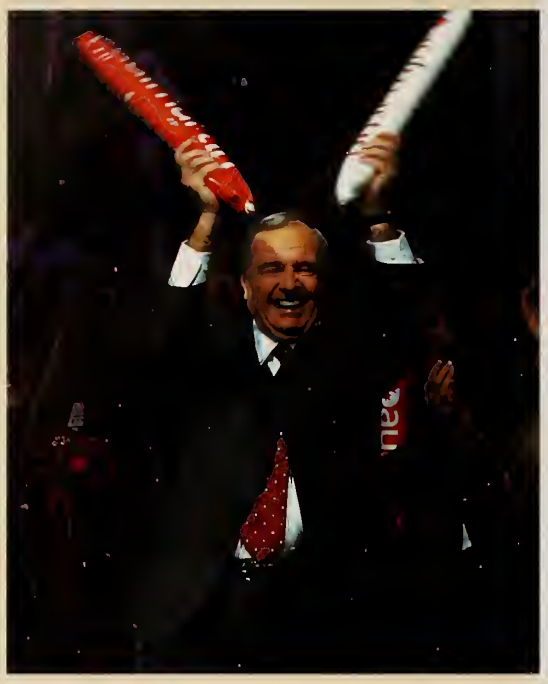
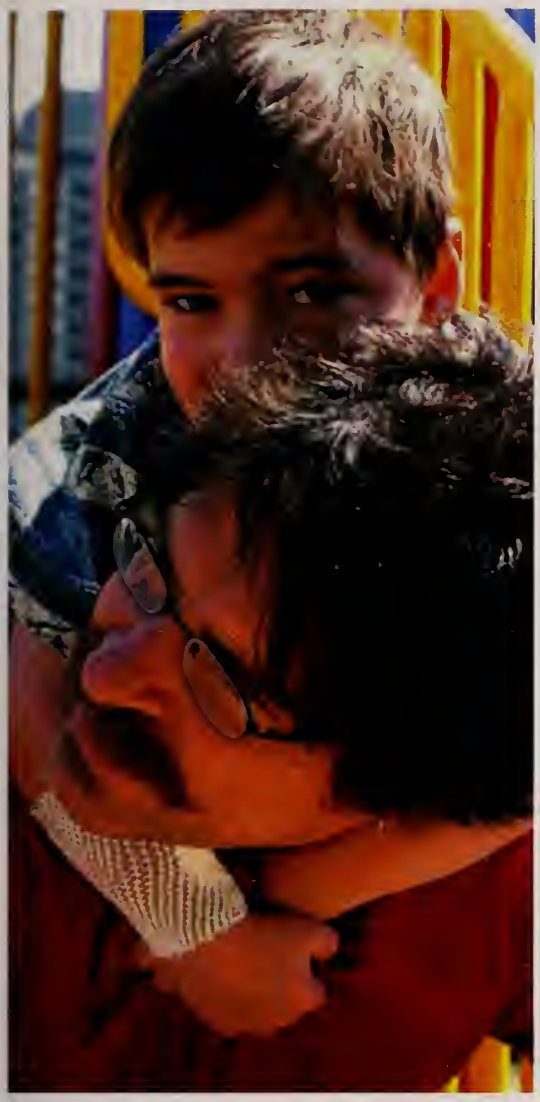


FAMILY FEUD. The sparring between former prime minister Jean Chrétien and Paul Martin continued all year until Chrétien finally stepped down, making room for his former finance minister to take the reins. Soon after moving into 24 Sussex Drive, Martin conducted a major shakeup of Chrétien's cabinet and confronted a major scandal over spending to promote national unity. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

LET THE GAMES BEGIN. Vancouver-Whistler squeaked out a narrow 56-53 victory over Pyeongchang, South Korea to win the 2010 Winter Olympics. The Games will mark the third time Canada plays host to the Olympics. Calgary hosted the Winter Games in 1988 and Montreal the 1976 Summer Games. (CP/Richard Lam)

BOOK WORLD LOSES A QUIET GIANT. Carol Shields, 68, one of Canada's most successful writers, succumbed to complications from breast cancer. The former Winnipeg resident, who died in Victoria, wrote 10 novels including the 1993 Pulitzer-Prize winning *The Stone Diaries.* (CP/Richard Lam)

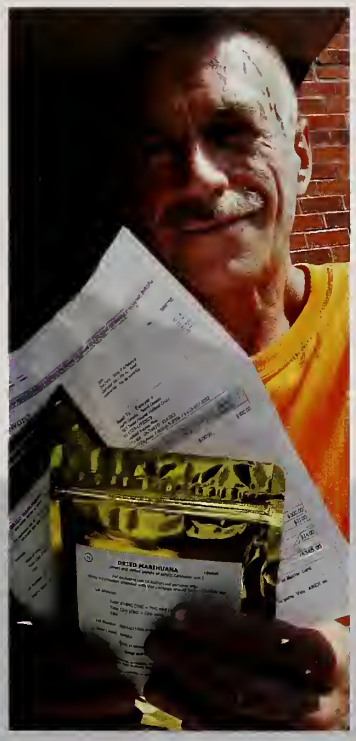
BRUTAL BEATING. Iranian-born Canadian photojournalist Zahra Kazemi was beaten to death in an Iranian jail, wedging a rift between the two nations. The 54-year-old Montrealer was arrested while reporting on the underground pro-democracy movement outside a prison. An Iranian Intelligence Ministry agent has been charged, but pleaded innocent, to causing Kazemi's death. (CP/Chris Wattie)



ONE BRAVE BOY. Five-year-old Robbie Thompson has been through a lot. To fix veins in his heart that became blocked—placing him at risk of a heart attack—he underwent a heart transplant at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, his second in three years. His first came in 1999 when he was just 18 months old, but doctors now are confident that they've fixed the problem. (CP/Rene Johnston)

POINTING THE FINGER. A judicial inquiry has been established to get to the bottom of the Maher Arar affair. After landing in New York City en route home to Ottawa following an overseas holiday, the 34-year-old Canadian was held in custody for 13 days and then shipped off to Syria by U.S. officials, who apparently did not inform Canadian authorities of the deportation. In Syria, where Arar was born, he claims that he was tortured and accused of having ties to al-Qaeda. He remained imprisoned in Syria for a year until sustained public pressure, led by his wife, Monia Mazigh, secured his return to Canada. (CP/Tom Hanson)

MORE THAN AN ANNOYANCE. With nearly 800 confirmed cases last year, Saskatchewan was the hardest hit province by the West Nile virus. In fact, six of the nine Canadians killed by the mosquito-born virus came from that province. Bug spray sales were up across the country as people tried to protect themselves from the potentially deadly insects. (CP/Geoff Howe)



POT LAWS MELLOWED OUT. Canada became the first country to distribute pot to individuals who were deemed to have a medical right to use it. The government is appealing the ruling, but will allow doctors to dispense seeds or mature plants at $5 a gram. In a separate ruling, Ottawa decriminalized possession of small amounts of pot, making it a fineable offence. (CP/Frank Gunn)

TO WED, OR NOT TO WED. Widespread controversy greeted provincial court rulings in Ontario and B.C. legalizing same-sex marriages. Most churches opposed the decision, but public opinion overall is slightly favourable. Meanwhile, thousands of gay couples have tied the knot, and many American couples have flooded across the border to take advantage of the more relaxed law. Many Canadians argue that changing the definition of marriage—from a union between a man and woman, to one between two people—uproots a fundamental tenet of society. Others say equality under the law should include gay marriages. The Supreme Court is expected to have the final say on the matter. (CP/Frank Gunn)

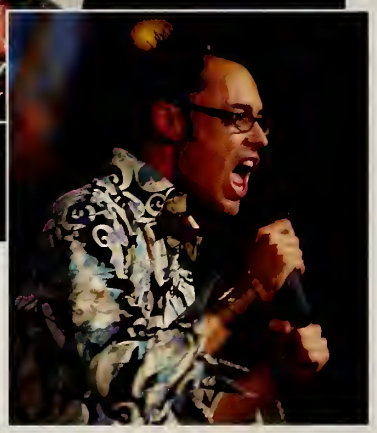
Music

HARD TO LOOK ANY MORE UP. Shania Twain hosted the Junos, had two major TV specials and received a slew of awards (including Artist of the Year at the 2003 Junos). Now, CBC is making a movie on her life story, so far. And *Up!*, the 38-year-old Timmins, Ont.-native's latest CD, has sold more than nine million copies.

(MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

A LEGEND RETURNS. After five years away from the music business, Sarah McLachlan—best known as the founder of the all-female tour Lillith Fair—brought her haunting voice back to the masses with *Afterglow*. A fitting title considering the 36-year-old Vancouverite gave birth to her first child, a daughter named India, during her hiatus. (CP/Aaron Harri)

TOUGH ACT TO FOLLOW. The world's most famous skater-girl, Avril Lavigne, 19, is putting together the follow-up CD to her 2002 smash hit *Let Go*, which sold nearly five million copies. The pop-rocker from Nepean, Ont., is working with former Evanescence guitarist Ben Moody and singer-songwriter Chantal Kreviazuk on her sophomore release—and hopes to have it on shelves late in 2004. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)



HOW TO MAKE A POP STAR. Following the incredible success of *American Idol*, which spawned singers Kelly Clarkson and Clay Aiken, producers of *Canadian Idol* began the search for our first music idol. Ben Mulroney hosted the talent show that attracted as many as three million viewers, the most-watched Canadian TV show in history. In the end, the big winner was Ryan Malcolm, 25, a singing waiter from Kingston, Ont. (CP/Frank Gunn)

ROCK ON. Nickelback is not the critics' favourite band, but the Calgary-based rockers have earned an incredible fan following with their straight-ahead rock style. *The Long Road* earned them a pair of 2004 Grammy nominations—Best Rock Record and Best Rock Song for *Someday*. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

PRETTY FRESH IDEA. Winnipeg-based rapper Fresh I.E. is a pretty unlikely candidate for a Grammy nomination. In fact, few Canadians even know who he is since his gospel infused hip-hop album was not even distributed in Canada until after being nominated in the rock gospel category. The one-time pimp and drug pusher, whose real name is Rob Wilson, is the first Canadian rapper to earn a Grammy nomination. (Brian Donogh)

QUEEN OF THE GRAMMYS. The ultra-talented actress-singer-writer-producer Beyoncé Knowles has proven she can do it all—and she's just 21. Knowles has also landed some pretty big endorsement deals—including Tommy Hilfiger perfume and Pepsi. The Houston-native's debut solo album, *Dangerously in Love*, spent 2003 in heavy rotation at radio stations and in the clubs. Not to mention five Grammy awards, including Best R&B album. (AP/Reed Saxon)

SEE YOU IN COURT. Downloading music has become pretty serious business. The Canadian Recording Industry Association has asked the courts to order Internet providers to reveal the names of 29 file swappers in the lead-up to lawsuits against those who share a large number of music files on the Internet. In the U.S., the Recording Industry Association of America has filed lawsuits against nearly 1,000 Americans. On-line piracy cost the music industry an estimated US$2.4 billion in 2003.
(MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

THREE TIMES GOLDEN. The flamboyant hip-hop duo OutKast won three Grammy awards—including Album of the Year for *Speakerboxxx/The Love Below*, marking the first time an R&B group has won the award. The duo's two-disc release also won them Best Rap Album. Included on their smash hit is the chart-topping single *Hey Ya!*, which won a Grammy for best urban/alternative performance.
(AP/Kevork Djansezian)

A SECRET NO MORE. The White Stripes were once indie music darlings from Detroit, but the huge success of *Elephant* in 2003 propelled lead singer and guitarist Jack White and drummer Meg White (they are divorced) into celebrity status. Jack's relationship with Oscar winner Renée Zellweger also kept him in the gossip columns. (AP/Tammie Arroyo)

IS SHE? ISN'T SHE? Britney Spears took weird behaviour to a new level. In early January, the 22-year-old pop princess married small town Louisiana childhood friend Jason Alexander, but quickly had the marriage annulled. Spears may be just 22, but *In the Zone* is her fifth album.
(REUTERS/Jim Ruymen)

FROM THE DARKNESS. Goth-inspired Arkansas rockers Evanescence made the big time with *Fallen*, which earned them the Grammy for Best New Artist. Even though Ben Moody, a founding member and guitarist, quit the band, singer Amy Lee kept things together and rode the success of the single *Bring Me To Life*, which was also featured on the soundtrack of *Daredevil*, starring Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner. (AP/Eric Jamison)

ALL GROWN UP. Justin Timberlake made a smart move by breaking free from the chains of boy-band N'Sync. His first solo album, *Justified*, earned the 23-year-old two Grammy awards—and *Charlie's Angel* Cameron Diaz was almost always on the arm of the one-time Mouseketeer. Read all about Timberlake in his autobiography, including the Janet Jackson Super Bowl fiasco, due out in the fall.
(AP/Kevork Djansezian)

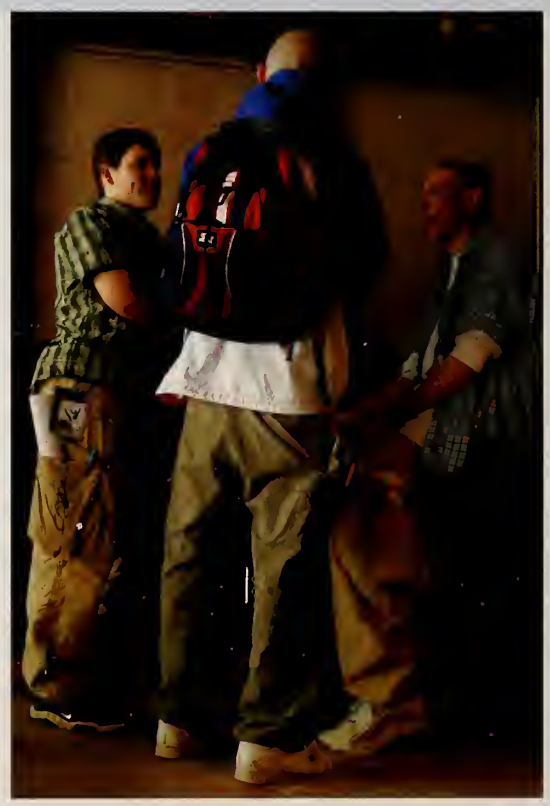
TOP 10 ALBUMS FOR 2003

	TITLE	ARTIST
1.	GET RICH OR DIE TRYIN'	50 CENT
2.	COME AWAY WITH ME	NORAH JONES
3.	UP!	SHANIA TWAIN
4.	HOME	DIXIE CHICKS
5.	LET GO	AVRIL LAVIGNE
6.	METEORA	LINKIN PARK
7.	8 MILE	SOUNOTRACK
8.	FALLEN	EVANESCENCE
9.	TIM McGRAW AND THE OANCEHALL OOCTORS	TIM McGRAW
10.	STRIPPEO	CHRISTINA AGUILERA

IF YOU CAN'T STEAL 'EM, BUY 'EM. With the threat of lawsuits hanging over the heads of on-line pirates, thousands turned to Web sites like *Puretracks.com*, which offer a legal alternative. At 99 cents per song, the Toronto-based firm did pretty brisk business. Seeing that success, *Archambaultzik.ca* became the second Canadian firm on the scene, with a French language site. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

LITTLE GUYS PACKS SOME PUNCH, TOO. Apple's new iPod mini is business card-sized, has 4GB of memory, holds 1,000 songs and will be priced at about $325. Of course you can stick with the somewhat larger—albeit still hand-held—original that's slightly more expensive but holds a whopping 10,000 songs. You might need that type of variety if, for instance, you're planning to travel around the world three times. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

SOUND LIKE AVRIL OR NICKELBACK. Or at least sing along. PlayStation 2's *Karaoke Revolution* is the first interactive karaoke video game, giving aspiring pop stars a chance to show what they've got. The game uses a voice analyzer to rate the player's performance. It might kick-start your career—or bring those big dreams crashing down. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

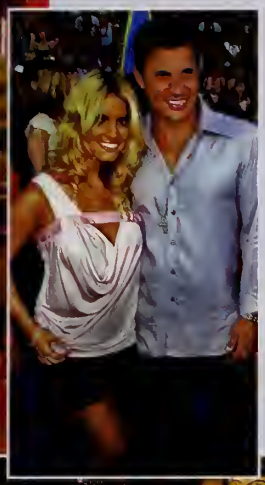


CAN YOU EVER HAVE ENOUGH POCKETS? It's no wonder cargo pants are still all the rage—especially for the guys. From your MP3 player, cellphone, Personal Digital Assistants (PDA) and wallet, you have a lot to carry around. Until the man purse becomes more commonplace among the teen set, cargo wear will remain a popular choice for many. (MACLEAN'S/Leigh-Ann Harper)

TRUCKER CRAZE. Pop star Justin Timberlake started the craze when he wore a Von Dutch hat to Grammy night parties in 2003. Other celebrities quickly followed suit—including Paris Hilton and Nicole Richie on TV's *The Simple Life*, making the truckers' hat cool. Von Dutch Originals also hawks jeans, T-shirts and motorcycle jackets, but it's the wide-billed, foam-front truckers' hat (which cost upwards of $160) that has caused a consumer stir. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

Television

(FOX/Sam Jones)



(AP/Matt Sayles)

(NBC/Eric Liebowitz)

WAY TOO STRANGE FOR FICTION. When it came to reality TV, celebrities took centre stage. *The Simple Life* sent hotel heiress Paris Hilton and Nicole Richie, the daughter of pop-star Lionel Richie, to a farm in the deep south. *Punk'd* gave "it" boy Ashton Kutcher a platform to pull pranks on unsuspecting celebs. Donald Trump went in search of an assistant in *The Apprentice*. And don't forget *Newlyweds*, which opened the front doors of pop singers Jessica Simpson's and Nick Lachey's home during their first year of wedded bliss. *Survivor* was back for another season—some say its best yet—and there was no shortage of shows on which contestants set out in search of love: *The Bachelor, The Bachelorette, The Next Joe Millionaire* and *Average Joe*. If the sappy scenes in those shows didn't make you sick, *Fear Factor*—with its disgusting taste tests—probably did. Live maggots, anyone?

(CBS)

(REUTERS/Fred Prouser)

A CANADIAN INVASION. The set of the Emmy-award winning TV drama *24* is brimming with Canadiana. The show's star, Kiefer Sutherland, who plays federal agent Jack Bauer, is the son of Saint John, N.B.—native Donald Sutherland, and co-star Elisha Cuthbert, who has the role of Bauer's daughter Kim, hails from Calgary. (FOX)

NOW YOU CAN GO OUT THURSDAY NIGHT. After a decade of incredibly successful seasons, the cast of *Friends* are calling it quits. But don't worry fans because it's highly unlikely that you've seen the last of these guys. Who knows, if we're really lucky, maybe there will be six spinoffs. (NBC)

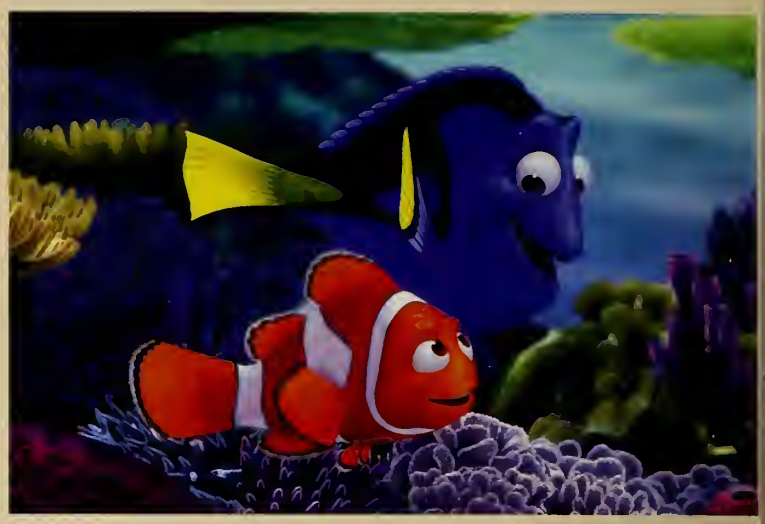
HAVOC ON PARLIAMENT HILL. Rick Mercer, a master of Canadian satire, has returned to prime time. On CBC's *Rick Mercer's Monday Report*, he uses many of the old tricks he perfected during his days on *This Hour has 22 Minutes*, and later on *Talking to Americans*. Never mind the Opposition parties, Mercer could become Prime Minister Paul Martin's greatest threat. (MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

THE LAUGHTER FADES TO BLACK. Tragedy struck *8 Simple Rules . . . for Dating my Teenage Daughter* when the show's 54-year-old star, John Ritter (who played Paul Hennessy) collapsed on the set and later died of heart complications. In an attempt to fill the void, *Just Shoot Me's* David Spade joined the *8 Simple Rules* cast as C.J., Kate's (Katey Sagal) pesky nephew. (REUTERS/Robert Galbraith)

Movies

TO THE VICTOR, GOES THE SPOILS. Director Peter Jackson's third epic instalment of J.R.R. Tolkien's *Lord of the Rings* series cleaned up at the Academy Awards and the box office. *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*, which cashed in with US$351 million in just seven weeks, won best picture, best director and nine other statues for a record-tying total of 11. (Pierre Vinet/Newline Prod.)

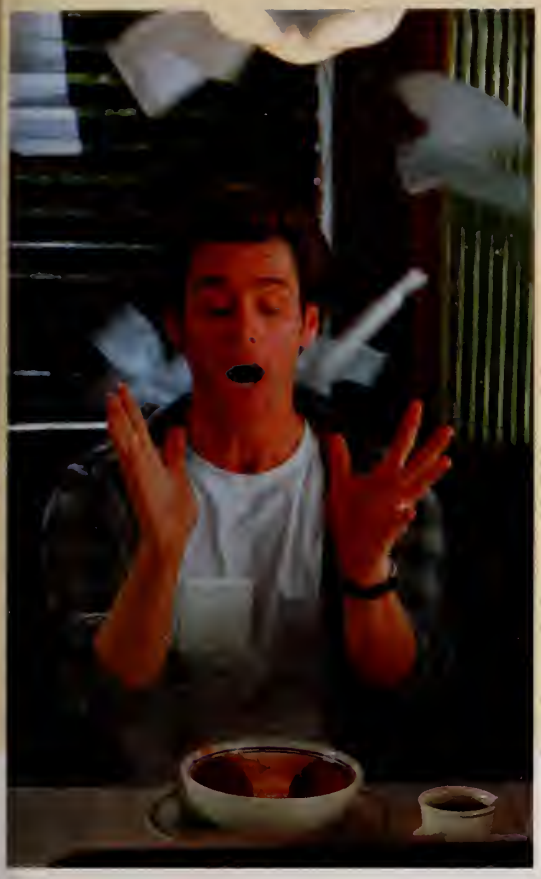
A VERY TOUCHY SUBJECT. Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ* is creating more controversy and buzz than any film in years. Focusing on Jesus's final 12 hours on earth, Gibson has been slammed for the movie's excessive blood and gore, and alleged anti-Semitism. The controversy has divided church officials and critics alike. Nevertheless, the film put up the second-best ever five-day figures for a movie opening with ticket sales of US$117.5 million. Only *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King* at US$124 million grossed more. (ICON PRODUCTION)



AUDIENCES TAKE THE BAIT. And when the stars are this cute, who wouldn't? Crowds poured into theatres to watch *Finding Nemo*, the animated comedic adventures of the fretful clownfish Marlin (voiced by Albert Brooks) and his young son Nemo (Alexander Gould). Voted best animated film at the Oscars, *Finding Nemo* was also one of the top-selling DVDs of 2003. (DISNEY/PIXAR FILMS)

AHOY, JOHNNY. *People*'s Sexiest Man Alive, Johnny Depp (above), gets ugly for his role as rogue pirate Jack Sparrow in *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl*. Wearing heavy black eyeliner and speaking with a drunk-like slur, Depp's character and Will Turner (Orlando Bloom) try and stop a ship of dangerous pirates led by Captain Barbossa (Geoffrey Rush) and recover lost treasure. (WALT DISNEY PICTURES)

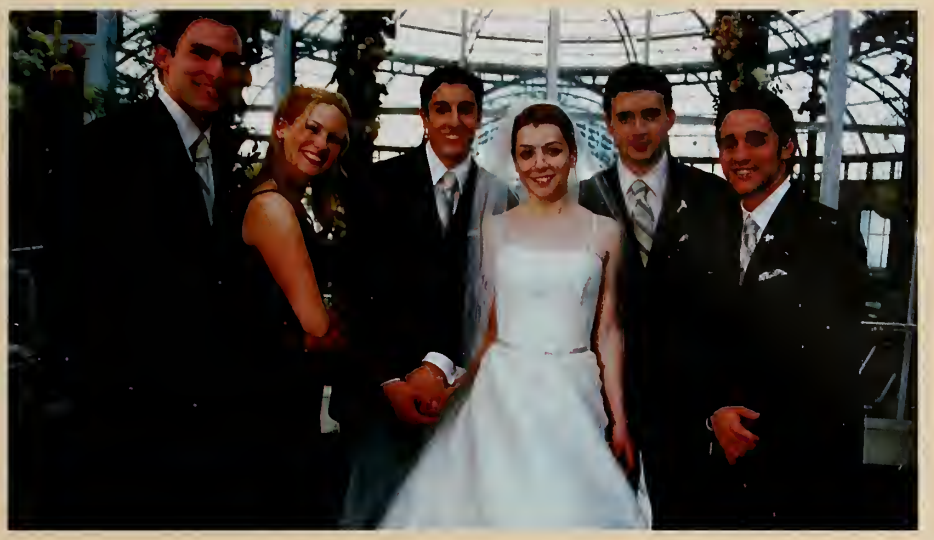
A PERFECT SEND-OFF. Satire or drama, *The Barbarian Invasions* is a winner for Denys Arcand. The story: family and friends of a cancer patient converge on an overcrowded Quebec hospital to share in the final days of his life. The bittersweet, often funny movie won Montreal director Arcand an Oscar for best foreign film at the 2004 Academy Awards and received two prizes at the 2003 Cannes Film Festival, including best screenplay. (MIRAMAX)



IT'S NOT EASY BEING GOD. Just ask Bruce Nolan (Jim Carrey). After Nolan is given God's powers in *Bruce Almighty*, things get a little chaotic when he tries to give everyone what they pray for. The real test is his relationship with girlfriend Grace (Jennifer Aniston) whom he loses during his ultimate power trip. Ultimately, Bruce proves he's only human. (Ralph Nelson/Illusion Arts)

ROMANCE TIMES 50. Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore, who lit up the big screen when they paired in *The Wedding Singer*, are back with another romantic comedy. In *50 First Dates*, Henry Roth (Sandler) is a veterinarian living in Hawaii who falls for Lucy (Barrymore). The problem is that Lucy suffers from short-term memory loss and can't remember meeting him, so Henry has to woo her every day with the hope she'll fall in love with him—again, and again and again. (COLUMBIA)

MUSICAL MASTERPIECE. Failed rock star Dewey Finn (Jack Black) gets tossed from his band, and needs cash fast. So, in *School of Rock*, he scams himself a gig as a 4th grade substitute teacher and decides to teach a group of school kids how to play rock 'n' roll. His goal? To win a local band contest and rejuvenate his own fledgling career. Hilarity ensues. (AP/Kevork Djansezian)



TOILET HUMOUR AT ITS BEST. Steve Stifler (Seann William Scott, far left) and the *American Pie* gang have returned for *American Wedding*. Centered around the wedding of Jim (Jason Biggs, centre) and Michelle (Alyson Hannigan), the usual series of hijinks prevail. If the first couple of *American Pie* flicks grossed you out, beware. This one really takes the cake. (UNIVERSAL)

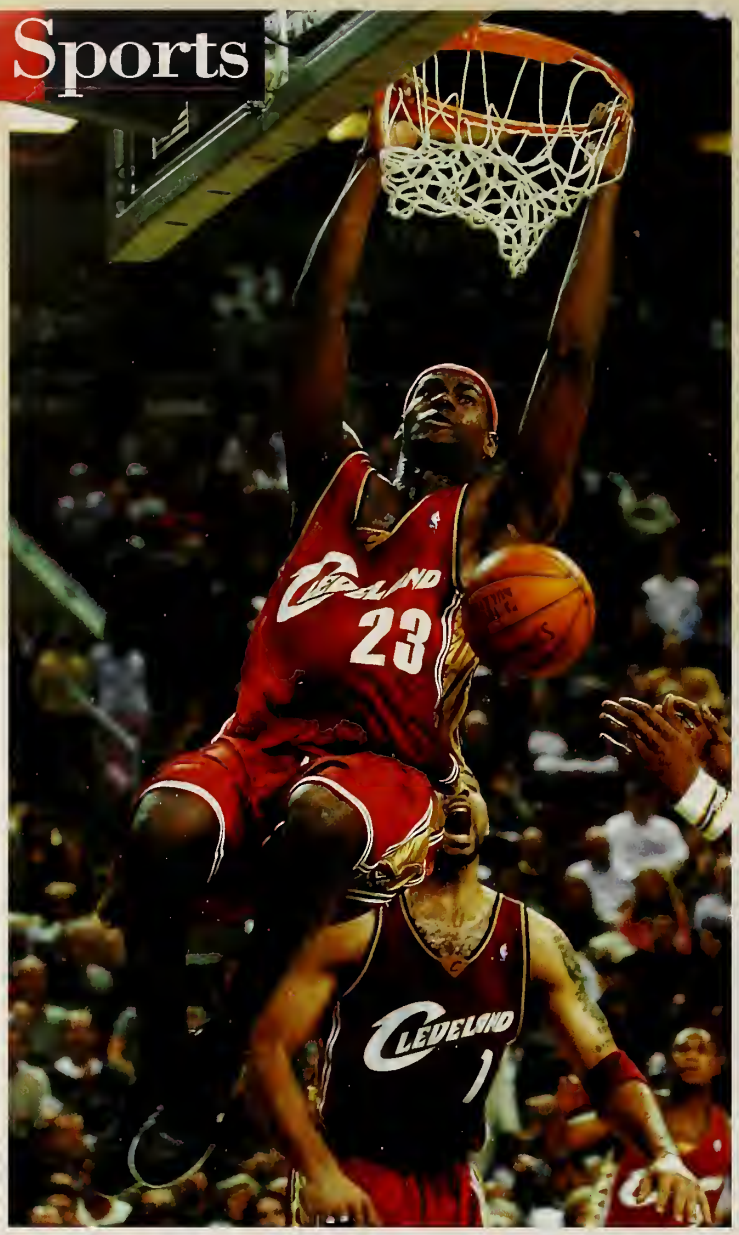
CAN'T LIVE UP TO THE HYPE. While the crowds poured into theatres to watch Neo (Keanu Reeves) and the rest of the crew in *The Matrix—Reloaded,* and *The Matrix—Revolutions* (both released in 2003) most left disappointed. Sure, the special effects were cool, but after the outpouring of praise following the original *Matrix* in 1999, the two sequels offered up good action, but fell flat as far as plot was concerned. (WARNER BROTHERS)

MUTANTS TIMES TWO. The mutants band together in *X2* to fight their common enemy, Gen. William Stryker (Brian Cox), who plans to destroy them. Wolverine (Hugh Jackman, above) leads a pack of mutants played by a star-studded cast including Halle Berry, Patrick Stewart, Anna Paquin and Canadian Shawn Ashmore as Iceman. (FOX)

TOP MOVIES OF 2003 (US$)

THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE RETURN OF THE KING	351 million
FINDING NEMO	340 million
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN	305 million
THE MATRIX: RELOADED	282 million
BRUCE ALMIGHTY	243 million
X2: X-MEN UNITED	215 million
ELF	173 million
TERMINATOR 3: RISE OF THE MACHINES	150 million
THE MATRIX REVOLUTIONS	139 million
BAD BOYS II	139 million

Sports

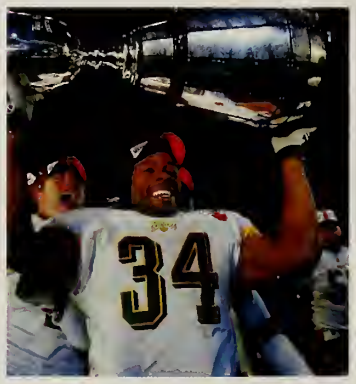


THE HEIR APPARENT? Not since Michael Jordan entered the league 20 years ago has a rookie been more highly touted than Cleveland Cavaliers guard Lebron James. The No. 1 pick in the NBA's 2003 draft even signed a US$90 million Nike shoe deal before his first game. James, 19, joined the NBA straight out of high school, but by scoring 20 points a game has proven he can play with the big boys. (AP/Elaine Thompson)

JUSTICE, AT LAST. It took a while for Beckie Scott, but it was well worth the wait. Nearly two years after placing third at the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, the cross-country skier was awarded the gold medal. The 29-year-old from Vermilion, Alta., won the top prize after the two Russians who finished ahead of her tested positive for drugs and were disqualified. (AP/Darron Cummings)

FIREBALLER TAKES TOP PRIZE. With 55 saves in as many attempts, Los Angeles Dodgers hard-throwing closer Eric Gagné was the National League's Cy Young Award winner. The 27-year-old Montrealer is only the second Canadian to win the major leagues top pitching prize—Chicago Cubs Ferguson Jenkins from Chatham, Ont., won in 1971. (AP/Paul Sancya)

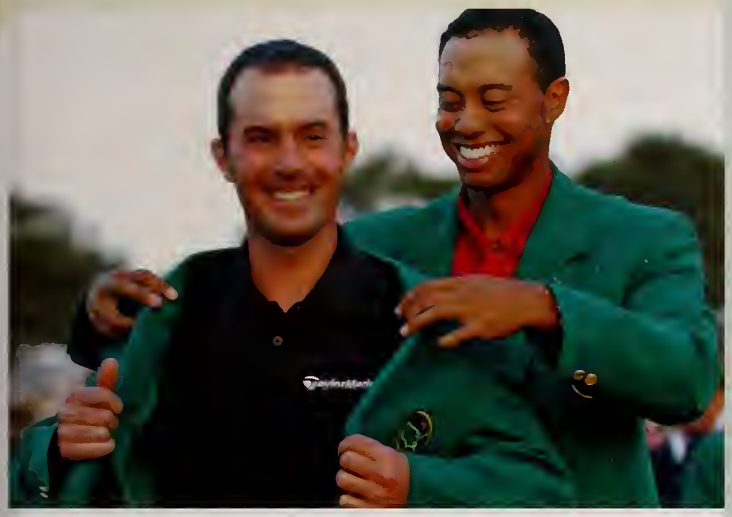
WISE BEYOND THEIR YEARS. They were the second youngest team in soccer's 2003 World Cup, but Canada's national women's squad didn't let that get in the way of a strong fourth place showing. The young but fiesty club was the first Canadian team, men's or women's, to win a World Cup game and the first to reach the playoffs, where they were stopped 3-1 by the U.S. squad in the battle for third place. (CP/Frank Gunn)



ESKS GET LAST LAUGH. The Edmonton Eskimos enacted revenge by defeating the Montreal Alouettes 34-22 in the 2003 Grey Cup. The win, on Saskatchewan's Taylor Field, made up for a home field loss to the Alouettes in the 2002 championship game. Edmonton running back Mike Pringle (above) gained 70 yards in the contest, becoming the all-time Grey Cup rushing leader with 393 yards in four games. (CP/Ryan Remiorz)

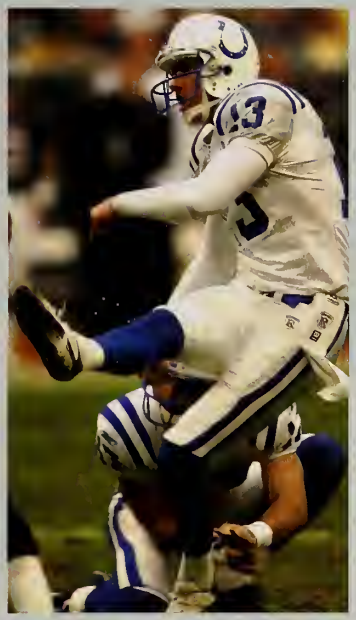
CAPTURING POLE POSITION. After 13 years as a pro, Toronto's Paul Tracy won his first CART drivers' championship. The 34-year-old took home the checkered flag in seven races, including wins at both the Toronto and Vancouver Molson Indys. Tracy become only the second Canadian to win the season trophy—Quebec's Jacques Villeneuve won in 1995. (AP/Guillermo Arias)

THE WAY THE GAME WAS MEANT TO BE PLAYED. Not even -20° C cold and wind could wipe the smiles from the faces of the 56,000 fans at Edmonton's Commonwealth Stadium who came to watch the first ever outdoor NHL game. Still, the main attraction was Wayne Gretzky in an Oilers uniform for the pre-game legends exhibition contest, with Guy Lafleur (centre) and Mark Messier. (CP/Adrian Wyld)



LITTLE LEFTY THAT COULD. Standing just five-feet, eight-inches, Bright's Grove, Ont.-native Mike Weir is no giant. But he is carrying around some big sticks these days. Last year, Weir made history when he won the Masters (receiving the Green Jacket from defending champ Tiger Woods, above), becoming the first Canadian to win one of golf's major championships. Weir also won two other tournaments, finishing fifth on the 2003 money list with nearly US$5 million. He is continuing his hot play in 2004 and won the Nissan Open in February. (AP/Elise Amendola)

IN A FLASH, SHE'S A STAR. In 12.53 seconds, Perdita Felicien went from an unheralded sprinter from Pickering, Ont., to a world-class hurdler. The 23-year-old became the first Canadian woman to win gold at an international track event when she won the 100-m hurdles at the World Championships in Paris. She followed that up this year by winning the 60-m hurdles at the World Indoor Championships. But here's proof Felicien has really made it—she now has a shoe deal with Nike. (AP/Michael Probst)



MR. PERFECTION. Oakville, Ont.-native Mike Vanderjagt has booted his way into the NFL record books. During the 2003 campaign, the Indianapolis Colts place-kicker went 37-for-37, proving that the extra point after is truly automatic. He also set an NFL record with 41 consecutive field goals. Vanderjagt, 33, bounced among Saskatchewan, Hamilton and Toronto in the CFL before joining the Colts in 1998. (AP/David J. Phillip)

NHL CRASH SHOCKWAVES. Atlanta Thrasher superstar right-winger Dany Heatley returned to the ice in January, four months after suffering serious injuries in a car crash that killed his 25-year-old friend and teammate Dan Snyder from Elmira, Ont. Heatley, 23, who was raised in Calgary, was charged with vehicular homicide after he lost control of his Ferrari, which led to the fatal car crash. He faces up to 15 years in prison. (REUTERS/Mike Cassese)

FEMALE TIGER. Michelle Wie is only 14, but she can drive a golf ball 300 yards, further than most grown men. Following in the footsteps of Annika Sorenstam, who last year was the first woman in 58 years to play in a PGA event, the six-foot tall Wie took her swings at a men's tour stop in January in Hawaii—and missed the cut by just a stroke. The comparisons to a young Tiger Woods were inevitable. (AP/Eric Risberg)

THE 2003 CHAMPIONS

STANLEY CUP	NEW JERSEY DEVILS OVER ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS	4-3 SERIES
GREY CUP	EDMONTON ESKIMOS BEAT MONTREAL ALOUETTES	34-22
SUPER BOWL XXXVIII	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS OVER CAROLINA PANTHERS	32-29
PGA	VIJAY SINGH	$7.6 million (U.S.)
LPGA	ANNIKA SORENSTAM	$2.0 million (U.S.)
NBA	SAN ANTONIO SPURS OVER NEW JERSEY NETS	4-2 SERIES
WORLD SERIES	FLORIDA MARLINS OVER NEW YORK YANKEES	4-2 SERIES
WOMEN'S TENNIS	KIM CLIJSTERS	$4.0 million (U.S.)
MEN'S TENNIS	ROGER FEDERER	$4.0 million (U.S.)

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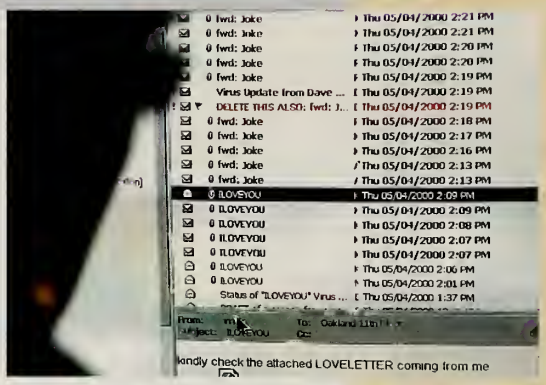
ALWAYS LOOK YOUR BEST. Because you never know who may be taking your picture. Hewlett Packard in Britain has created eyeglasses with a built-in camera that constantly photographs everything the wearer sees. Meanwhile, camera phones are becoming all the craze. Now you can snap off a pic, and use the instant messaging feature on your phone to send it to all your friends. Experts worry about privacy implications. No kidding. (MOTOROLA)

(MACLEAN'S/Peter Bregg)

BEIJING . . . WE HAVE LIFT OFF. After 11 years of planning, China launched its first piloted spacecraft—becoming the third nation after the former Soviet Union and the U.S. to send humans into space. China's first *taikonaut* is Yang Liwei, a 38-year-old fighter pilot. After multiple satellite launch failures during the '80s and '90s, Chinese officials kept details of the mission secret. But they did release a song to mark the historic occasion called, guess what, *Flying*. (AP/Li Gang)



THIS MESSAGE COULD SELF-DESTRUCT. The Mydoom computer virus flooded Internet users' inboxes in 214 countries to become what some experts claim was the fastest-spreading e-mail virus in history. A variant of the virus that takes aim at Microsoft's Web site prompted the software giant to issue a US$250,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the mad scientist who created the bug. (AP/Dino Vournas)

HATE NEEDLES? Then you might soon be in luck. Replacing the needle-administered flu vaccination in many parts of the U.S. is a far less annoying nasal spray. The spray, which contains a live—albeit weakened—form of the flu is only recommended for healthy people between five and 49. It's not expected in Canada until 2007. (AP/Chitose Suzuki)

AND IT EVEN PARKS ITSELF. Japanese car maker Toyota was able to cut the price of its gas-electric Prius to about $30,000, sparking a worldwide buying spree. Global Prius sales targets for 2004 have skyrocketed from 76,000 to 130,000. And for an extra $2,900, you get the Intelligent Parking Assist program, which makes parallel parking a breeze. The car actually parks itself, after you have defined where you want to park on a computerized screen. (REUTERS/Jeff Christensen)

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